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Dear Mr Jorma Immonen, Secretary General, Chief Counsellor

Re: Specific Instance regarding Botnia in Uruguay

The Center for Human Rights and Environment (CEDHA) filed a specific instance to Finland's national contact on 18 April 2006 concerning the Finnish companies Oy Metsä-Botnia, Metsäliitto, UPM-Kymmene, Kemira and Lemcon and their involvement in a large-scale pulp mill in Fray Bentos, Uruguay. The specific instance asserts numerous breaches of the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and requests the Finland National Contact Point (NCP) to review compliance with the guidelines by the project sponsor and contractors in order to call attention to the many problems and inconsistencies that this project posits to the guidelines.

The Finnish NCP has not indicated publicly or in communication to the applicants that it has received the specific instance, nor that it has undertaken an initial assessment and reported on the findings. The Finnish NCP is reminded that best practice established by the Australian National Contact Point requires a confirmation of receipt to be given to the applicants within seven days of the specific instance being lodged. Best practice also requires that an initial assessment is to be given within 30 days of the date of lodgment.

Friends of the Earth Finland and CEDHA request the Finnish National Contact Point to provide confirmation of receipt and an initial assessment concerning compliance with the OECD Guidelines on Multinational Enterprises raised in the specific instance, which was drafted with the support of OECD Watch and the Centre for Research on Multinational Corporations (SOMO).

Sincerely,

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