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Dear Mr Popa,

Following our recent successful visit to Romania, I wanted to let you know how interesting and useful we found it and how much we enjoyed it. Thank you for giving us so much of your time and for treating us to your warm hospitality. The excellent programme you organised for us gave us an opportunity to meet many of the key players in the environmental field in Romania.

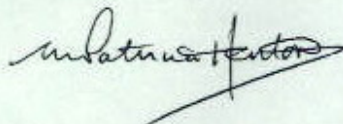
Naturally we enjoyed enormously the visit to the Danube delta and thank you so much for making that possible for us. The landscape and the wildlife are both stunning and it was very interesting to see the work that you and your colleagues are doing to ensure that it remains like that. We have our own issues here with the Water Framework Directive, but none are on the scale of the Danube and its delta.

It was also very useful for us to meet some of your colleagues in the National Environment Guard. We were able to share with them experiences with the IPPC Directive, and it was good to learn how far you have progressed with implementing that Directive. It was interesting too to discuss approaches to inspections, in particular the risk-based approach, and also about the implementation of the EU Emissions Trading Scheme.

Thank you again for all you did for us. We would also like to thank Claudia Pascal for her work in arranging the programme, for looking after us so well and for driving us to and from the Danube delta. Many thanks to you and to her and your other colleagues for giving up your weekend to show us the beauties of the Danube delta. We appreciated it very much indeed.

We look forward to our future cooperation with you and your colleagues.

Yours sincerely



Tricia Henton
Director of Environment Protection



Stimate domnule Popa,

Ca urmare a recente vizite in Romania, am dorit sa va aduc la cunostinta cat de utila si interesanta ni s-a parut vizita si cat de mult ne-am bucurat de ea. Va multumesc timpul acordat si pentru faptul ca ne-ati tratat cu atata ospitalitate. Programul excelent pe care l-ati organizat ne-a dat posibilitatea de a-i intalni pe unii dintre principalii actori din domeniul protectiei mediului din Romania.

Firesc, ne-am bucurat enorm de vizita in Delta Dunarii si va multumim pentru ca ati facut ca acest lucru sa devina posibil. Peisajul si viata salbatica sunt uimitoare si a fost foarte interesant sa vedem munca depusa de colegii dvs. pentru ca totul sa ramana astfel. Avem propriile noastre probleme privitoare la Directiva Ape, dar nici una nu este de anvergura Dunarii si a deltei sale.

De asemenea, a fost foarte util pentru noi sa intalnim cativa dintre colegii dvs de la Garda Nationala de Mediu. Am avut astfel prilejul de a impartasi cu ei din experinta noastra in domeniul Directivei IPPC si a fost util sa vedem cat de departe ati progresat cu implementarea acestei directive. Au fost interesante de asemenea si discutiile asupra modului de abordare al inspectiilor, in special abordarea riscului si, de asemenea, implementarea Schemei UE de Comert cu Emisii.

Va multumesc inca o data pentru tot ceea ce ati facut pentru noi. Am dori, pe aceasta cale, sa-i multumim si doamnei Claudia Pascal pentru modul in care a organizat programul, pentru atentia cu care s-a ocupat de noi si pentru faptul ca a indeplinit pana si sarcina de sofer pe traseul catre Delta Dunarii. Multe multumiri dvs., dumneaei si colegilor dvs. care au renuntat la sfarsitul de saptamana in favoarea noastra, pentru a ne arata frumusetile Deltei Dunarii. Apreciem acest lucru in mod deosebit.

In viitor, asteptam colaborarea cu dvs. si colegii dvs.

A dvs,
Tricia Henton
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