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Dear Mr.Egerer,

Referring to your requests of 19 September 2013 and 11 November 2013, I would like to inform you that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, as the Depository of the Framework Convention on the Protection and Sustainable Development of the Carpathians, undertook informal legal check of the Draft Protocol on Cultural Heritage and Traditional Knowledge and the Draft Protocol on Sustainable Transport to the Carpathian Convention and did not express any significant comments to these documents.

At the same time, the Draft Protocol on Sustainable Transport requires giving a more precise definition to the numbering of articles and chapters.

- Articles 9 and 18 are missing in the Draft Protocol.
- The "Final Provisions" should be numbered as "Chapter V".
- Articles of "Chapter V" are proposed to be placed in the following order: Article 26 "Links between the Carpathian Convention and the Protocol", Article 27 "Reservations", Article 28 "Depository", Article 29 "Notifications", Article 30 "Signature".

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, as the Depository of the Convention, stands ready to provide necessary assistance to the Interim Secretariat.

Please accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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