



## Foreign & Commonwealth Office

### **Email from a representative of Greenpeace, 30 July 2014**

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I consider that EU enlargement, especially the one of 2004, has on balance been positive for European nature (because of implementation of the acquis in CEE region).

The environmental policy implementations are not always managed well, for example when it comes to Natura 2000 legislation in the accession countries, as well as environmental impact assessments (for infrastructure projects).

Re future enlargement, this would require, as a minimum and a priority, strengthening the legal and enforcement units of DG Environment, as well as setting up (where required), training, and adequate resourcing of national competent authorities.