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Complaints on stand-by

Presumed threat to Emerald site "Black Sea Biosphere Reserve" (UA0000017) from military trainings (Ukraine)

- REPORT BY THE COMPLAINANT -

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To: Mrs. Iva OBRETENOVA Secretary of the Bern Convention Head of the Biodiversity Unit Directorate of Democratic Governance Directorate General II Council of Europe

EXPLANATION OF THE PERCEIVED THREAT TO THE EMERALD SITE «BLACK SEA BIOSPHERE RESERVE» (UA0000017) FROM THE TESTING OF WEAPONS (UKRAINE)

Dear Mrs. Iva OBRETENOVA,

After our previous report, no negative activities were observed within the territory. We thank the Convention for the support in order to protect natural values of the site.

Kind regards, Oleksii Vasyliuk, UNCG