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Dear Gentlemen,

On behalf of the Board of the Coalition Clean Baltic we would like to express our sincere thanks for your efforts concerning the environmental protection. In particular we would like to emphasize importance of your for enactment of the order No.27/3 D-13 „Regarding settings of environmental requirements for way of protected and migrating fishes“.

This order, which includes a the list of rivers protected from negative impact of the construction of the hydro power plants, will help to protect migrating fish species, such as wild salmon and sea-trout, of importance for the whole Baltic Sea Region.

Your far-seeing efforts and experience in protecting rivers from negative impacts of hydro power development can serve as a good example for protection of river ecosystem and its biological diversity for many Baltic Sea Region countries. We encourage you to share your achievements with other Baltic Sea Region governments.

Yours Sincerely,

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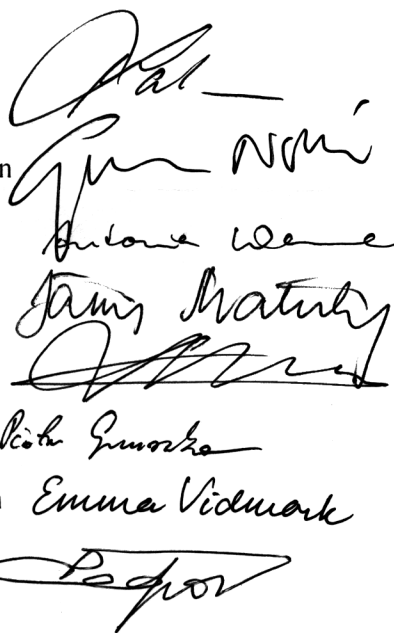
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