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European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
Independent Recourse Mechanism

Request number: 2005/01

Project name: Sakhalin II

Project number: 05897

Country: Russia

Nature of complaint: Disruption to fishing

Step	Date	Remarks
1. Receipt of Complaint	26 July 2005	
2. Registration of Complaint	28 July 2005	
3. Letter of notification under RP17 sent to the Affected Group	28 July 2005	
4. Eligibility Assessor appointed	28 July 2005	Owen McIntyre
5. Letter of notification under RP17 sent to SEIC	1 August 2005	
6. Request for comments on complaint from SEIC (RP18 and 27)	4 August 2005	
7. Receipt of comments on complaint from SEIC	18 August 2005	
8. Submission by the Eligibility Assessors to the President of the Eligibility Assessment Report (RP30). Report submitted within 30 business days of receipt of Complaint	6 September 2005	Recommendation that (1) the Sakhalin II IRM Complaint be held eligible for further processing towards a Problem-solving Initiative, but not warranting a Compliance Review; (2) implementation of the recommendation be suspended for the time being (RP14) pending the outcome of the forthcoming decision on whether to declare the Sakhalin II project 'fit for the purpose of consultation'.
9. President's decision on the recommendation advanced by the Eligibility Assessors in the Eligibility Assessment Report (RP31)	20 September 2005	Recommendation approved
10. Eligibility Assessment Report sent to Authorised Representatives of the Affected Group and Relevant Parties, together with notification of the President's decision under	21 September 2005	

RP31(a) (RP32)		
11. Decision taken that the Sakhalin II project documentation is 'fit for the purpose of consultation'. Press release	14 December 2005	Suspension on further processing of the Complaint towards a Problem-solving Initiative lifted.
12. Chief Compliance Officer informed that SEIC is engaged in settlement negotiations with Calypso Ltd, Contract Ltd and KFC Ltd, such that an 'effective dialogue' is judged to exist between the parties		Given the purpose of a Problem-solving Initiative (RP42), submission of the Problem-solving Initiative Report under RP45 is deemed to be inappropriate and therefore delayed under RP14 pending the outcome of settlement negotiations between SEIC and the Affected Group
13. SEIC reaches a negotiated settlement with Calypso Ltd	23 March 2006	Submission of the Problem-solving Initiative Report remains suspended (RP14)
14. Chief Compliance Officer informed by SEIC that it is continuing to pursue settlement negotiations with the remainder of the Affected Group	29 March 2006 and 3 May 2006	Submission of the Problem-solving Initiative Report remains suspended (RP14)
15. Chief Compliance Officer seeks clarification from SEIC on the state of settlement negotiations with Contract Ltd and KFC Ltd.	15 June 2006	Submission of the Problem-solving Initiative Report remains suspended (RP14)
16. SEIC continues settlement negotiations with members of the Affected Group.	June-December 2006	Submission of the Problem-solving Initiative Report remains suspended (RP14)
17. Due to change in ownership of SEIC, EBRD decides not to finance the Sakhalin II project	11 January 2007	See: Press Release
18. Authorised Representative informed that the IRM no longer has jurisdiction to process the hitherto eligible complaint	17 January 2007	Complaint finalised, but the possibility remains to reinstate the complaint if the EBRD decides at some future date to finance the project.