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**REPORT OF THE
MEETING OF THE
BSEC WORKING GROUP ON ENERGY**

Sochi, 26 September 2006

1. The Meeting of the BSEC Working Group (WG) on Energy was held in Sochi on 26 September 2006.
2. The Meeting was chaired by Mr. Anatoliy YANOVSKY, Director of Fuel and Energy (F&E) Department, Ministry of Industry and Energy of the Russian Federation and co-chaired by Mr. Alexander SURIKOV, Head of Division, Department of Economic Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Mr. Valeriy PERVUKHIN, Head of Division, (F&E) Department, Ministry of Industry and Energy of the Russian Federation.
3. The Meeting of the Working Group was attended by the following BSEC Member States:
 - Republic of Albania
 - Republic of Armenia
 - Republic of Azerbaijan
 - Republic of Bulgaria
 - Georgia
 - Hellenic Republic
 - Republic of Moldova
 - Romania
 - Russian Federation
 - Republic of Serbia
 - Republic of Turkey
 - Ukraine

4. The Meeting was attended by the representatives of the Republic of Croatia, the Federal Republic of Germany and the Republic of Poland as Observers.
5. The representatives of Montenegro attended the Meeting as official Guests.
6. The Draft Agenda of the Meeting was discussed and adopted. The Agenda, as adopted by the Working Group, is attached as Annex I.

The Chairman, Mr. A. YANOVSKY, delivered an opening statement.

INFORMATION BY BSEC PERMIS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WORKING GROUP'S DECISIONS ON 14-15 JUNE 2006

a. Discussion on the state of implementation of the Baky and Alexandroupolis Declarations on energy cooperation and Plan of Action of the WG on Energy

7. BSEC PERMIS provided the information on the state of implementation of the decision taken by the WG (14-15 June, Moscow) with regard to the preparation of the Unified Report based on the Energy Questionnaire and the National Energy Strategies of the Member States. The WG invited those Member States which have not yet done so to send the relevant information to PERMIS within 30 days in order to finalize the said Report.

8. The WG requested PERMIS to disseminate the final version of the Report to the Member States upon its completion.

b. Discussion of the proposal of the Republic of Turkey on the establishment of an Ad Hoc WG for cooperation between Member States in exploration and extraction of hydrocarbon resources of the Black Sea

9. The Republic of Turkey made a presentation of the proposal on the establishment of an Ad Hoc WG for cooperation between Member States in exploration and extraction of hydrocarbon resources of the Black Sea. The WG discussed and supported, in principle, the proposal and invited the Republic of Turkey to prepare and send to PERMIS, within a period of two months, the detailed background information for further dissemination to the Member States for their consideration.

10. The WG discussed the possibility of convening its meeting with the purpose of a substantial discussion on the issue based on the background information with the participation of experts from the public and private sectors.

APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT STATEMENT OF THE BSEC MINISTERS OF ENERGY

11. The WG discussed and agreed with amendments on the draft text of “Statement of the Ministers of Energy of the BSEC Member States” and decided to submit it to the Meeting of the Ministers to be held in Sochi on 27 September 2006 for their consideration and eventual approval. The draft Statement is attached as Annex II.

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT FUND

12. The consideration of the BSEC PDF project application is postponed until the next meeting of the Working Group.

DATE AND VENUE OF THE NEXT MEETING

13. The date and venue of the next Working Group meeting will be communicated to the Member States through the BSEC PERMIS.

ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

14. The present Report will be submitted for consideration to the Committee of Senior Officials to be held in 30-31 October 2006 in Moscow.

