Subject: Approval of the Amendment to Staff Rule 8.1.a

By CC document 516 dated 12 June 2015 delegations were invited to approve an amendment to Staff Rule 8.1.a that would allow the appointment of temporary officials/project staff (positions not included in the establishment table) who are not a national of a Contracting Party or a Signatory of the Energy Charter Treaty. As specified by Rule 20 of the Rules of Procedure (CC 53 corr. 2) concerning the adoption of decisions by correspondence, members of the Energy Charter Conference were informed that any delegation that wished to object to this proposal should notify the Secretariat of its position in writing not later than 2 July 2015.

No objections were received within the specified time limit. Therefore, on 2 July 2015 the Conference approved the amendment to Staff Rule 8.1.a (inserting the wording ‘…to posts established by the Conference…’) to allow the appointment of temporary officials/project staff (positions not included in the establishment table) who are not a national of a Contracting Party or a Signatory of the Energy Charter Treaty. However, as expressly indicated in document CC 516, the Budget Committee will discuss in its meeting of 23 October 2015 the remaining amendments suggested in document BC 251, including the proposal of Turkey to delete the last three words of Staff Rule 8.1.a (‘..or a Signatory.’).