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DECISION OF THE ENERGY CHARTER CONFERENCE

Subject: Designation of Officers of the Conference and its Subsidiary Bodies for 2019

1. In accordance with Rule 13 of its Rules of Procedure (“Officers”), the Conference is required to designate each year the Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons of the Conference and its Standing and Working Groups for the forthcoming year. This Rule does not apply to the Chairs of the two subgroups established at the end of 2017: one assisting the Implementation Group for discussions on transit issues and the other assisting the Strategy Group for the discussions on modernisation of the ECT. In line with the above, the Conference is invited to approve the designation of the following officers for 2019:

Conference Chair:	Mr. Damian Gjikhuri (Albania)
Conference Vice-Chair:	Mrs. Dorina Çinari (Albania)
Conference Vice-Chair:	Ms. Elena Popescu (Romania)
Conference Vice-Chair:	Mr. Samir Valiyev (Azerbaijan)
Chair of the Strategy Group:	Sofia Sanz Estébanez (Spain)
Vice-Chair of the Strategy Group	vacant
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Chair of the Implementation Group:	Klara Rakhmetova (Kazakhstan)
Vice-Chair of the Implementation Group:	Johan Vetlesen (Norway)
Vice-Chair of the Implementation Group:	vacant
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Chair of the Budget Committee:	Ms. Miriama Kiselyova (Slovakia)
Vice-Chair of the Budget Committee	vacant
Chair of the Legal Advisory Committee	General Counsel of the Energy Charter Secretariat (<i>ex officio</i>)

2. Following the recommendation of the Budget Committee, at the request of the Chair or Vice Chair of a subsidiary body of the Conference, his or her travel costs including (i) flight in economy and (ii) daily subsistence allowance (based on the DSA for Brussels used by the coordinated organizations) will be reimbursed from the budget item “invited experts” when the following conditions are both met: (i) he or she chairs the meeting to which he/she is travelling; and (ii) he or she requests one week in advance the secretariat to cover his/her travel costs.