DECISION OF THE ENERGY CHARTER CONFERENCE

Subject: Process of Negotiations on Additional Protocols

The texts of [Supplementary Treaty, Draft Trade Amendment and Energy-Related Equipment] will be submitted to the Legal Advisory Committee for scrutiny.

The Chairman intends to submit an overall proposal on all the issues in the three areas in the beginning of December. He expressed the hope that substantial agreement on all outstanding issues would be reached at the December meeting of the Conference. The texts could not, however, be ready for signature or adoption at that meeting. Translation and legal/linguistic rectification would require some more time. If there were agreement on the major issues in December the Conference would decide on the dates of adoption and signature in the light of the prevailing circumstances.