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**DECISION OF THE ENERGY CHARTER CONFERENCE**

**Subject:      Reports submitted to the Adoption Conference Session on 24 June 1998**

- With respect to progress on ratification the Secretary General informed the Conference that 36 countries have deposited their instruments of ratification of the Energy Charter Treaty. The Ukraine had finalised the national ratification process and would soon deposit their instrument.
- The Secretary General further reported on an Energy Charter workshop in Mongolia and an Energy charter seminar in China. He believed that the accession of Mongolia could take place before the end of the year. In Beijing, he had signed a memorandum of co-operation with the Energy Research Institute of the State Development Planning Commission [attached as Annex], which would provide a good basis for future co-operation.

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**Memorandum of Co-operation**

between

**The Energy Research Institute of the State Development Planning Commission of the Peoples' Republic of China, Beijing**

and

**The Energy Charter Secretariat, Brussels**

**I**

Based on discussions, which started in 1997 between the Energy Research Institute and the Energy Charter Secretariat, consultations were held during a Seminar on the Energy Charter Treaty on 15-16 June 1998 in Beijing.

The Seminar, which was attended by delegates from Chinese government, administration, energy institutes and energy companies, provided for further detailed information on the Energy Charter Treaty and its possible relevance for the development of the energy sector of China and its integration into the world economy.

China is elaborating a policy towards efficient and sustainable energy development, which includes international co-operation, improvement of the conditions for foreign direct investment in China and for activities of Chinese energy industry abroad, and non-discriminatory trade.

**II**

The Energy Charter Treaty aims at facilitating international energy co-operation, based on non-discriminatory treatment of foreign investment, free and non-discriminatory trade of energy materials, products and energy related equipment, safe land transportation and transit and international arbitration for dispute settlement.

The Energy Charter Conference, on 23 April 1998, confirmed, that dialogue with Asian states, in particular with the Peoples' Republic of China, shall be developed.

**III**

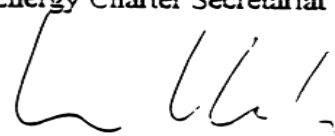
In order to facilitate such dialogue, the Energy Research Institute of the State Development Planning Commission and the Energy Charter Secretariat agree to continue and expand their co-operation. They shall regularly exchange information on relevant issues and may arrange for bilateral meetings and consultations with regard to the relevance of the Energy Charter process for the Peoples' Republic of China.

For the Energy Research Institute  
of the State Development Planning Commission

Professor Zhou Fengqi  
Director General



For the Energy Charter Secretariat



Dr. Peter Schuetterle  
Secretary General

Done on 16<sup>th</sup> of June 1998 at Beijing, the Peoples' Republic of China