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DECISION OF THE ENERGY CHARTER CONFERENCE

**Subject: Establishment of the Working Group on Energy Efficiency and Related
Environmental Aspects: Terms of Reference**

The Conference decided to establish [Working Group] on Energy Efficiency and Environment as proposed in the 1999 Work Programme, in accordance with the Conference's Rules of Procedure. The [Chairperson] of the [Group was] invited to report annually to the Conference. Terms of Reference for [the Working Group] were approved [and are attached in Annex.]

[Attached are the Terms of Reference as contained in Annex VII to doc. CC 137.]

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**Terms of Reference for the Working Group on
Energy Efficiency and Related Environmental Aspects**

1. Establishment

The Working Group is established as a subsidiary body in accordance with Art. 34(5) of the Treaty and the relevant Rules of Procedure for the Energy Charter Conference and is based on the Procedures for Implementation of the Energy Charter Protocol on Energy Efficiency and Related Environmental Aspects.

2. Composition

The Working Group consists of representatives of all Contracting Parties/Signatories to the Protocol. Observers may be invited to participate in accordance with Rules 7 and 8 of the Rules of Procedure.

3. Tasks

The Working Group shall :

1. Organise periodic reviews of the national energy efficiency policies, strategies, programmes and pricing policies, as well as other economic instruments. Measures for improving the policies, strategies and programmes should be identified;
2. Serve as a forum for identifying options for specific energy efficiency policies and programmes best suited to the circumstances of individual countries in accordance with the basic principles outlined in Article 3 (2) of the Protocol. Contracting Parties may use these options and define time-schedules for their implementation;
3. Develop proposals for specific activities under the Protocol;
4. Report to the Charter Conference on progress of implementation of the Protocol every year.