Subject: Decision concerning Article 29 (2) of the Energy Charter Treaty (fulfillment of trade-related obligations under the Treaty with respect to trade with Contracting Parties that are not WT members)

[In the light of the decision of the delegation of Japan to withdraw temporarily its proposal for a Conference Decision, the Chairman made a Statement to the Conference on this matter, which was circulated as Room Document 5 (the text of the Statement is attached at Annex).]
Statement concerning Article 29 (2) (a) of the Energy Charter Treaty made by the Chairman of the Energy Charter Conference at the 9th Meeting of the Conference held on 17 December 2001

“A Contracting Party which implements its World Trade Organisation obligations into its domestic laws and regulations is considered to have implemented GATT 1947 and Related Instruments as required under Article 29 (2)(a) of the Energy Charter Treaty.”