Subject: Designation of the Conference Chairman, Vice-Chairmen and other Officers of the Conference’s Subsidiary Bodies for 2009

The Energy Charter Conference at its 19th Meeting held on 28 November 2008 approved the designation of the following officers for the year 2009.

Conference Chairman: Takekazu Kawamura (Japan)
Conference Vice-Chairman: Anatoliy Yanovskiy (Russian Federation)
Conference Vice-Chairman: Aymo Brunetti (Switzerland)
Chairman of the Investment Group: See Messages 778, 795, 805
Vice-Chairman of the Investment Group: Shukhrat Khamidov (Uzbekistan)
Chairman of the Trade and Transit Group: Vural Altay (Turkey)
Vice-Chairman of the Trade and Transit Group: Victor Kalmykov (Russian Federation)
Chairman of the Budget Committee: Yrjö Saharakorpi (Finland)
Chairman of the PEEREA Working Group: Victor Shakhin (Russian Federation)
Vice-Chairman of the PEEREA Working Group: Johan Vetlesen (Norway)

Delegations were invited to propose candidates for the post of Investment Group Chairman in Message 778 of 18 November 2008. The deadline for nominations was set as 28 February 2009.

By the indicated date only one nomination had been received, namely from the Greek Government, designating Mr. Michael Thomadakis. Any delegation unable to approve the appointment was requested to notify the Secretariat of its position in writing by no later than 10 April 2009 as indicated in Message 795.

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No such notifications were received. Accordingly, the appointment of Mr. Michael Thomadakis as Chairman of the Investment Group was confirmed in Message 805.