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DECISION OF THE ENERGY CHARTER CONFERENCE

Subject: Designation of the Vice-Chairman of the Energy Charter Conference

By CC document 457, dated 22 February 2013, delegations were invited to approve the appointment of Mr. Jambulat Sarsenov as Vice-Chairman of the Energy Charter Conference. Mr. Sarsenov was nominated by the Republic of Kazakhstan (proposal attached to CC 457). As specified by Rule 20 of the Rules of Procedure (CC 53 corr. 2) concerning the adoption of decisions by correspondence, members of the Energy Charter Conference were informed that any delegation that wished to object to this proposal should notify the Secretariat of its position in writing by 15 March 2013.

Having received no objections, the appointment of Mr. Jambulat Sarsenov as Vice-Chairman of the Energy Charter Conference became effective on 15 March 2013 (as confirmed by Message 1056).

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**H.E. Ambassador Selim Kuneralp,
Chairman Energy Charter Conference**

CC:

**Ambassador Urban Rusnak,
Secretary General Energy Charter Secretariat**

Subject: The position of Deputy Chairman of the Energy Charter Conference

Dear Ambassador Kuneralp,

The Republic of Kazakhstan signed and ratified the Energy Charter Treaty (ECT) by the Decree of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 18.10.1995, #2537, and is an active participant of the Energy Charter negotiation process.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Ministry of Oil and Gas of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Kazakhstan's interests in the Energy Charter are represented by KAZENERGY Association.

Taking into account the importance of the ECT in developing mutually beneficial and well-balanced international cooperation in the energy sector, as well as Kazakhstan's role in the negotiation process as a major energy exporter, we propose to consider the appointment of Mr. Jambulat Sarsenov, the citizen of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Deputy Chairman of KAZENERGY Association, to the position of Deputy Chairman of the Energy Charter Conference.

Mr. Sarsenov is widely known in the international energy circles as a highly qualified specialist in the field of economic, financial and legal problems of the Kazakh and world energy, including oil and gas industry. Since 2008, he has been a member of the Kazakhstan National Committee of the World Petroleum Council.

Since 2009, he has been a member of the Kazakhstan National Committee of the World Energy Council. He graduated from the Diplomatic Academy majoring in "International Relations", went under advanced training in "Master of Petroleum Businesses", and has a number of scientific publications.

He has 20 years of successful experience in the oil and gas industry. Prior to joining KAZENERGY Association (2005), Mr. Sarsenov held senior positions in the National Company "Transportation of Oil and Gas", National Company "KazMunayGas" (2002-2003); he served as General Director in the National Company "Trade House "KazMunayGas" and the Kazakh-Russian company "KazRosGas"(2003-2005).

The nomination of Mr. Sarsenov, a representative of Kazakhstan, to the position of Deputy Chairman of the Energy Charter Conference will facilitate modernization of the Energy Charter and positive promotion of negotiations on the ECT Transit Protocol. Both of these issues are considered by the countries - participants of the Energy Charter process - as a top priority in the full and effective application of the ECT, which is a prerequisite for further progress of the Energy Charter process.

Moreover, the above-mentioned appointment of Mr. Sarsenov, a representative of Kazakhstan - the only country in the ECT, located at the crossroads of Europe and Asia and aimed at the European and Asian energy markets -, meets the balance of interests of all participants of the Energy Charter process.

In view of the above, you are kindly requested to consider our proposal for the nomination of Mr. Jambulat Sarsenov to the position of Deputy Chairman of the Energy Charter Conference.

Sincerely,

Chairman T. Kulibayev