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Related documents: CC 462, Mess 1090/13, RD 4 Rev 2 (ECC of 26-27 11 2012)
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DECISION OF THE ENERGY CHARTER CONFERENCE

Subject: Adoption of the negotiation mandate in view of updating the European Energy Charter

By CC document 462, dated 29 October 2013, delegations were invited to approve the negotiation mandate in view of updating the European Energy Charter. 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 not later than 21 November 2013.

Having received no objections within the specified time limit, on 21 November 2013 the Energy Charter Conference

Recalling its meeting in Warsaw on 26-27 November 2012, where it decided to engage in a process that might lead to the adoption of an updated version of the European Energy Charter (Room Document 4 Rev 2), approval or signing of which should, *inter alia*, become a sufficient condition for observership in the Energy Charter Conference for interested states and Regional Economic Integration Organisations which have not signed the European Energy Charter;

Taking note of the examination of the legal implications of the adoption of the Updated Energy Charter vis-à-vis the Energy Charter Treaty (StG 56) and the assessment of the objectives, scope, benefits and costs/risks as well as other relevant aspects with regard to the Updated Energy Charter (StG 53), prepared in accordance with the decision adopted in Warsaw;

Keywords: Updating, European Energy Charter, Strategy Group, Mandate

Decided as follows:

The Strategy Group is mandated to start negotiations in view of updating the European Energy Charter of 1991 according to the modalities set out in Room Document 4 Rev 2 of the 23rd Meeting of the Conference in Warsaw.