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DECISION OF THE ENERGY CHARTER CONFERENCE

Subject: Provisional use of Conciliation Rules for Transit Disputes (pending final approval)

In view of the entry into force of the Treaty on 16 April 1998, the Conference agreed that, pending final approval, the Rules concerning the Conduct of Conciliation of Transit Disputes in the Annex to document CC 103 Rev. may be applied in the case of a dispute.

The Conference requested the Secretariat to invite a working group in order to deal with any proposal to clarify and/or modify the above rules, such as the proposals presented by the Ukrainian Delegation or the European Union. Such a working group on energy transit is also expected to address issues relating to implementation of the 1998 Programme of Work and follow-up of the G8 Ministerial Meeting in Moscow.

It was agreed that the first meeting of the working group will take place in late May or early June 1998 with the view to presenting the results of the work of the group on Conciliation Rules to the Conference no later than the end of 1998 (see Message No. 117/98).