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Related documents: CC 210, CC 213

DECISION OF THE ENERGY CHARTER CONFERENCE

Subject: Addendum to the Rules Concerning the Conduct of Conciliation of Transit Disputes: Adjournment of adoption until a future Conference Meeting

The Chairman informed the Conference that, following discussions on this issue within the Transit Working Group, it appeared that significant progress had been made towards resolving the issue of interpretation of the conciliation mechanism set out in Article 7(6) and 7(7) of the Treaty. On this basis, it further appeared that the text of the decision proposed in document CC 210 was broadly acceptable to delegations. At the same time, however, some delegations had requested more time to consider the adoption of the proposed decision, in the light of its binding nature, in order to complete various internal procedures that are required before formal approval can be given. The Chairman also noted that certain delegations had indicated that they would be more willing to agree to the adoption of this decision once the Protocol on Transit is ready for adoption. In the light of this situation, the Chairman proposed that the invitation to adopt the decision contained in document CC 210 be postponed for consideration until a future meeting of the Conference.