

I, the undersigned, Bjørn Tore GODAL, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Norway, hereby authorize and empower Mr. Håkon FREIHOW, Ambassador of Norway in Lisbon, to sign, subject to ratification, the Energy Charter Treaty of 17 December 1994, with the declarations set out below:

To Declaration V in the Final Act of the Energy Charter Treaty, cf. Article 18(2) of the Energy Charter Treaty:

"Norway does not accept the declaration contained in paragraph V of the Final Act of the European Energy Charter Conference concerning Article 18 (2) of the Energy Charter Treaty. Norway will apply and interpret the Treaty in accordance with generally recognized rules and principles of observance, application and interpretation of treaties as reflected in Part III of the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties of 25 May 1969. In particular in the context of Article 18(2) it is recalled that a Party may not invoke the provisions of its internal law as justification for its failure to perform a treaty. The treaty shall be interpreted in good faith in accordance with the ordinary meaning to be given to the terms of the treaty in their context and in the light of its object and purpose".

To Part V of the Energy Charter Treaty:

"Part V of the Energy Charter Treaty, and in particular Article 26, may give raise to problems with respect to Norwegian ratification. In signing the Energy Charter Treaty, Norway therefore reserves its right after the entry into force of the treaty to revert to these possible problems within the framework of Article 42 or Article 43".

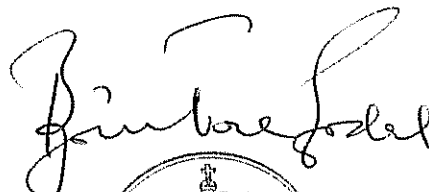
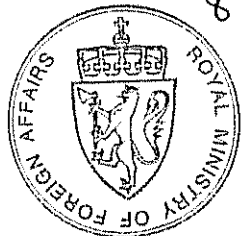
To Article 45(2)(a) of the Energy Charter Treaty:

"The Government of Norway declares pursuant to Article 45(2)(a) of the Energy Charter Treaty that it does not accept provisional application".

To Article 45, paragraphs (2)(c) and (6) of the Energy Charter Treaty:

"The Government of Norway declares pursuant to Article 45, paragraphs (2)(c) and (6) of the Energy Charter Treaty that it will contribute to the costs of the provisional Secretariat subject to the approval by the Norwegian Storting (Parliament) in accordance with the Norwegian Constitution".

Oslo, on this second day of June,
one thousand nine hundred and ninety-five

I, the undersigned, Bjørn Tore GODAL, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Norway, hereby authorize and empower Mr. Håkon FREIHOW, Ambassador of Norway in Lisbon, to sign, subject to ratification, the Energy Charter Protocol on Energy Efficiency and related environmental Aspects.

Oslo, on this second day of June,
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