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Only paragraph (1) of this Article was discussed in a Formal Sub-Group in October and December.

EC scrutiny reserve.

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In the formal Sub-Group on 8 October a discussion on paragraph (1) was conducted but not finalised. The text reflects this discussion. A few USA proposals on the text of paragraph (2) have been also footnoted.
The Chairman of the Sub-Group invited delegations to forward him written comments on this text before the close of play on 29 October 1993 so that the new draft could be circulated before the next Plenary.

ECT 4 [CONF 64] (07/07/93)
Article 10 – Access to Capital

- During the May Plenary the Chairman asked WG II Chairman to prepare consolidated text for Article 10 taking account of the alternative texts submitted by Hungary, Romania, Russian Federation and USA. The new text indicates the differences in relation to the text comprised in CONF-60 by deletion marks [DL] or by underlining the new text. Alternative suggestions are included in the footnotes under specific comments.

- Sub-Group which met on 28 June only made little progress so that the June Plenary did not discuss this collated text.

ECT 3 [CONF 60] (01/06/93)
Article 10 – Access to Capital

Chairman's note During the May Plenary several delegations presented alternative texts for this Article: Hungary (Room Document 1); Romania (Room Document 6); USA (Room Document 9) and Russian Federation (Room Document 37). The Chairman asked WG II Chairman to prepare a consolidated text for discussion at the next Plenary meeting.

ECT 2 [CONF 56] (01/05/93)
[Article 10] – Access to Capital

Several Eastern European countries preferred the earlier version of this Article and expressed the view that the needs of economies in transition should explicitly be taken into account in this Article.

Russian Federation will come up with its own text. Other delegations might do the same.

BA-37 (01/03/93)
BA-35 (09/02/93)
[Article 13] – Access to Capital

The discussion in WG II on 4 February 1993 had been based on the analysis prepared by USA delegation exploring the relationship between issues addressed in this Article and Article 16, particularly para (7) (see Room Document 9 of 1 February 1993). USA's view is that issues contained in Article 13 are sufficiently covered by Article 16 and consequently do not require any coverage by Article 13. Some delegations supported this view. Some delegations however, pointed out that its retention, particularly of para (2), has merits.

Chairman asked Russian Federation and USA to discuss the need for this Article once again in the light of the deductions indicated in Room Document 9 and come up with a clear statement of what should be covered in this Article that is not covered by Article 16(7).

General scrutiny reserve.
In the December WG II meeting it was decided that, in good time for the next WG II meeting:

- Russian Federation will produce a note indicating the need for this Article and, if so, which paragraphs need to be maintained. Other delegations which see advantage in maintaining this Article, are invited to do the same.

- USA will explore in a note the relation with Article 16(7) and provide - if necessary - adaptive formulations which should minimise any restrictions on a free flow of capital.

Reference is also made to the Romanian notes on this subject as indicated in Room Documents 19 of 17 December 1992 and 23 of 18 December 1992.

General scrutiny reserve.

This Article shall be revisited at the December WG II meeting. To this end Canada shall circulate the OECD definition on capital market and Hungary will forward to the Secretariat by 30 November 1992 the description of its financial schemes.

General scrutiny reserve.

Article based on Russian Federation suggestion.

The Chairman is concerned to ensure that the current wording of this Article does not jeopardize national provisions to protect private Investors or hamper the ability of lenders to demand appropriate security for loans. EC and Japan stressed the need to clarify the objective of these provisions, as well as the criteria and appreciation modalities which are referred to. EC points out that guarantee mechanism for political risks cannot be globally provided by other Parties.

Scrutiny reserve by many delegations.
Scrub reserve by many delegations.

New Article based on USSR suggestions.

The Chairman had previously asked delegations to send proposals on this subject to the Secretariat by 15 December 1991. No responses were received. The Chairman is concerned to ensure that the current wording of this Article does not jeopardize national provisions to protect private Investors or hamper the ability of lenders to demand appropriate security for loans.
Article 9.1

ECT as adopted (17/12/94)
CONF 104 (Text for adoption) (14/09/94)
Article 9.1 – Access to Capital

The Contracting Parties acknowledge the importance of open capital markets in encouraging the flow of capital to finance trade in Energy Materials and Products and for the making of and assisting with regard to Investments in Economic Activity in the Energy Sector in the Areas of other Contracting Parties, particularly those with economies in transition. Each Contracting Party shall accordingly endeavour to promote conditions for access to its capital market by companies and nationals of other Contracting Parties, for the purpose of financing trade in Energy Materials and Products and for the purpose of Investment in Economic Activity in the Energy Sector in the Areas of those other Contracting Parties, on a basis no less favourable than that which it accords in like circumstances to its own companies and nationals or companies and nationals of any other Contracting Party or any third state, whichever is the most favourable.

Interim text (25/06/94)
Article 10.1 – Access to Capital

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Compromise text [CONF 98] (22/04/94)
Article 10.1 – Access to Capital

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ECT 7 [CONF 96] (17/03/94)
Article 10.1 – Access to Capital

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ECT 6 [CONF 82] (20/12/93)
[Article 10].1 – Access to Capital

Contracting Parties acknowledge the importance of open capital markets in encouraging the flow of capital to finance trade in Energy Materials and Products and to finance Investment in the Economic Activity in the Energy Sector of Contracting Parties, particularly those with economies in transition.

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\(^1\) Addition, following a USA proposal.

\(^2\) USA proposes substituting with: "Except where a preference to domestic Investment or investment in another Contracting Party or a state which is not a Contracting Party is extended under domestic law or".

Additionally USA wants to revert to wording of the third sentence as in CONF 85.

Russian Federation cannot accept these USA proposals.

\(^3\) Russian Federation scrutiny reserve.
Accordingly each Contracting Party will endeavour to promote conditions for access to its capital market for its companies and nationals and for companies and nationals of other Contracting Parties for Making or assisting Investment in Economic Activity in the Energy Sector in the Area of other Contracting Parties. [Consistent with] existing international agreements, no Contracting Party shall apply terms for access to private sources of finance within its Jurisdiction for the purposes of Investment in the Energy Sector of another Contracting Party less favourable than those applied in like circumstances for the purposes of Investment by nationals or companies of the Contracting Party in its own energy sector or in that of any other Contracting Party or any third state, whichever is the most favourable.

ECT 5 [CONF 72] (11/10/93)
Article 10.1 – Access to Capital

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ECT 4 [CONF 64] (07/07/93)
Article 10.1 and 10.2 – Access to Capital

(1) Contracting Parties [acknowledge the importance of conditions which promote the flow of capital to finance] trade in Energy Materials and Products and investment in the Energy Sector of Contracting Parties particularly those with economies in transition. Accordingly each Contracting Party shall:

a) [[facilitate access to its capital market for its companies and nationals and not hinder access of companies and nationals of other Contracting Parties to its market] for Making or

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4 USA proposes substituting with: “Except where a preference to domestic investment or investment in another Contracting Party or a third state is extended under domestic law or”.

USA agreed to have a further look at the formulation of this footnote in order to avoid concerns of other delegations (especially Russian Federation) about possible discrimination.

5 USA scrutiny reserve.

6 USA proposes substituting with: “Except where a preference to domestic Investment or Investment in third states is extended under domestic law or”.

7 USA proposes replacing with: “apply” resp. “applied”.

8 USA wants to add: “whichever is most favourable”.

9 Romania proposes replacing with: “shall endeavour to encourage the flow of capital by financing”.

10 Hungary proposes substituting for: “encourage companies and nationals within its Domain and particularly international financial institutions”.
Contracting Parties acknowledge the importance of conditions which promote the flow of capital to finance trade in Energy Materials and Products and Investment in the Energy Sector of Contracting Parties particularly those with economies in transition. Accordingly in accordance with their laws and with their measures necessary for prudential regulation. Contracting Parties shall not require entities subject to their jurisdictions provide to traders and Investors from other Contracting Parties seeking to borrow funds or issue and sell equity shares or other securities in connection with Economic Activity in the Energy Sector treatment less favourable than that provided in like circumstances to their own traders and Investors or to traders and Investors from any other Contracting Party or any third State.

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11 Russian Federation proposal.
12 Hungarian proposal.
13 USA proposal.
14 Russian Federation seeks deletion.
15 USA suggests replacing with: “endeavour to provide”.
16 Russian Federation suggests replacing with: “provide”.
17 Russian Federation proposal.
18 Russian Federation proposal.
19 USA proposal.
20 Russian Federation seeks deletion.
21 Hungary suggests alternative text for this paragraph reading:
“Each Contracting Party shall endeavour to encourage such capital flows by facilitating, in accordance with its laws and prudential regulations, access to its capital markets for Investors of another Contracting Party with respect to the borrowing of funds and the issues and sale of equity shares and other securities in connection with Economic Activity in the Energy Sector.”
Contracting Parties acknowledge the importance of conditions which promote the flow of capital to finance trade in Energy Materials and Products and Investment in the Energy Sector of Contracting Parties particularly those with economies in transition. Accordingly in accordance with their laws and with their measures necessary for prudential regulation, Contracting Parties shall not require entities subject to their jurisdiction to provide to [traders and] Investors from other Contracting Parties seeking to borrow funds or issue and sell equity shares or other securities in connection with Economic Activity in the Energy Sector treatment less favourable than that provided in like circumstances to their own [traders and] Investors or to [traders and] Investors from any other Contracting Party or any third State.

Each Contracting Party shall endeavour to encourage such capital flows by facilitating, in accordance with its laws, access to its capital markets for Investors of another Contracting Party with respect to the borrowing of funds and the issuance and sale of equity shares and other securities in connection with [Economic Activity in the Energy Sector]. Nothing in this Article is intended to impair the ability of financial institutions to establish and apply their own lending practices based on market principles.

Each Contracting Party shall accord to Investors of another Contracting Party access to capital markets no less favourable than that accorded in like situations to its own Investors or to Investors of any other Contracting Party or of any third state with respect to the borrowing of funds and the issuance and sale of equity shares and other securities in connection with extraction, production, conversion, treatment, carriage or supply of Energy Materials and Products. Nothing in this Article is intended to impair the ability of financial institutions to establish and apply their own lending practices based on market principles.

22 USA proposes to replace this wording with: “Accordingly to the extent permitted by their laws Contracting Parties shall endeavor”. Furthermore, the word “no” should be inserted in the 10th line, so that it reads “treatment no less favourable”.
23 USA suggests to look for new wording as the word “trader” is not very precise. The suggestion was made to look for a more general wording which could include the concept of a “trader”.

Compromise text: Article 10.1 – Access to Capital
[Each Contracting Party shall accord to Investors of another Contracting Party access to capital markets no less favourable than that accorded in like situations to its own Investors or to Investors of any other Contracting Party or of any third state with respect to the borrowing of funds and the insurance and sale of equity shares and other securities in connection with extraction, production, conversion, treatment, carriage or supply of Energy Materials and Products. Nothing in this Article is intended to impair the ability of financial institutions to establish and apply their own lending practices based on market principles].

24 Japan scrutiny reserve on para (1).
25 Japan asks for deletion of paragraphs (1) and (3).
26 USA asks for adding a new clarifying sentence:
“Nothing in this Article is intended to impair the ability of private institutions to establish and apply their own lending practices based on market principles”. 
Each Contracting Party shall grant Investors of another Contracting Party non-discriminatory access to capital markets for energy investments and shall support the operations and expertise of relevant international institutions in mobilizing private investments.

[Article 13].1 – Access to Capital

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* Ed. note: Italics added to emphasise the part relevant to current Article 9.1
Article 9.2
ECT as adopted (17/12/94)
Article 9.2 – Access to Capital

A Contracting Party may adopt and maintain programmes providing for access to public loans, grants, guarantees or insurance for facilitating trade or Investment abroad. It shall make such facilities available, consistent with the objectives, constraints and criteria of such programmes (including any objectives, constraints or criteria relating to the place of business of an applicant for any such facility or the place of delivery of goods or services supplied with the support of any such facility) for Investments in the Economic Activity in the Energy Sector of other Contracting Parties or for financing trade in Energy Materials and Products with other Contracting Parties.

CONF 104 (Text for adoption) (14/09/94)
Article 9.2 – Access to Capital

A Contracting Party may adopt and maintain programmes providing for access to public loans, grants, guarantees or insurance for facilitating trade or Investment abroad. It shall make such facilities available, consistent with the objectives, constraints and criteria of such programmes (including but not limited to, on any grounds, objectives, constraints or criteria relating to the place of business of an applicant for any such facility or the place of delivery of goods or services supplied with the support of any such facility) for Investments in the Economic Activity in the Energy Sector of other Contracting Parties or for financing trade in Energy Materials and Products with other Contracting Parties.

Interim text (25/06/94)
Article 10.2 – Access to Capital

A Contracting Party may adopt and maintain programmes providing for measures affording access to public loans, grants, guarantees or insurance for facilitating trade or Investment abroad. It shall make any such facilities available, for Trade in Energy Materials and Products with other Contracting Parties provided that such access is consistent with the objectives, constraints and criteria of such programmes (including but not limited to, on any grounds, objectives, constraints or criteria relating to the place of business of an applicant for any such facility or the place of delivery of goods or services supplied with the support of any such facility).

Interim text (20/06/94)
10.2 – Access to Capital

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27 USA suggests replacing with: “adopts or maintains”.
28 USA proposes deletion and substitution with comma.
29 USA proposes replacing with: “or”.
30 Hungary and Romania seek deletion.
31 Russian Federation proposes replacing with: "provide fullest possible access to such programmes".
relation [DL] to such Investments,]

[32, 33 [in accordance with the criteria for assistance from such programmes.] 34

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A Contracting Party which has programmes providing for access to public credits, guarantees and insurance for facilitating trade or Investment abroad shall to the extent permitted by its laws make such facilities available to its Investors for Investments in Economic Activity in the Energy Sector of other Contracting Parties or available for trade in relation with such Investments, in accordance with the criteria for assistance from such programmes.

(Compromise text) ECT 1 [CONF 50] (15/03/93)

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[Article 13].2 – Access to Capital

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33 USA seeks deletion of either such qualifying phrase.
34 Hungary and Russian Federation suggest deletion.
35 Canada prefers inserting: “endeavour to”.
36 Austria suggests adding: “in accordance with its laws and regulations”.
[Each Contracting Party shall provide the fullest possible access to public credits, guarantees and insurance for Investors in extraction, production, conversion, treatment, carriage or supply of [Energy Materials and Products]]\(^38\).

Each Contracting Party shall provide the fullest possible access consistent with this Agreement to public credit, guarantee or insurance agreement to Investors, in connection with extraction, production, conversion, treatment, carriage and supply of [Energy Materials and Products].

Each Contracting Party shall provide the fullest possible access consistent with this Agreement to official credit, guarantee or insurance agreement to Investors, in connection with extraction, production, conversion, treatment, carriage and supply of [Energy Materials and Products].

\(^{37}\) Japan and Austria scrutiny reserve on para (2).
\(^{38}\) Deferred to later discussion.
\(^{39}\) Japan suggests inserting: “in the framework of its domestic systems”.
\(^{40}\) EC suggests inserting: “in accordance with its laws and regulations”.
Article 9.3

ECT as adopted (17/12/94)
CONF 104 (Text for adoption) (14/09/94)

Article 9.3 – Access to Capital

Contracting Parties shall, in implementing programmes in Economic Activity in the Energy Sector to improve the economic stability and investment climates of the Contracting Parties, seek as appropriate to encourage the operations and take advantage of the expertise of relevant international financial institutions.

Interim text (25/06/94)
Article 10.3 – Access to Capital

Contracting Parties shall, in implementing programmes in the Economic Activity in the Energy Sector that endeavour to improve the economic stability and investment climates of the Contracting Parties, seek as appropriate to encourage the operations and take advantage of the expertise of relevant international financial institutions.

Interim text (20/06/94)
Compromise text [CONF 98] (22/04/94)
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Article 10.3 – Access to Capital

ECT 6 [CONF 82] (20/12/93)
[Article 10.3 – Access to Capital]

Contracting Parties shall seek as appropriate to encourage the operations and take advantage of the expertise of relevant international financial institutions in implementing programmes in the Economic Activity in the Energy Sector that endeavour to improve the economic stability and investment climates of the Contracting Parties.

ECT 5 [CONF 72] (11/10/93)
Article 10.3 – Access to Capital

Contracting Parties shall seek as appropriate to encourage the operations and take advantage of the expertise of relevant international financial institutions in implementing programmes in the energy sector that endeavour to improve the economic stability and investment climates of the Contracting Parties.

ECT 4 [CONF 64] (07/07/93)
Article 10.3 – Access to Capital

[[The Contracting Parties shall seek to encourage the operations and, where appropriate, make full use of the expertise]\(^{\text{41}}\) of relevant international [financial]\(^{\text{42}}\) institutions in mobilising private\(^{\text{43}}\) Investments in Economic Activity in the Energy Sector of Contracting Parties.\(^{\text{44,45}}\)

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\(^{\text{41}}\) Russian Federation proposes substituting for: “The Contracting Parties shall to the greatest extend possible facilitate the activities”.

\(^{\text{42}}\) Russian Federation suggests replacing with: “credit financial and insurance”.

\(^{\text{43}}\) Russian Federation asks for insertion of: “and public”.

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Contracting Parties shall seek to encourage the operations and, where appropriate, make full use of the expertise of relevant international financial institutions in mobilising private Investments in Economic Activity in the Energy Sector of Contracting Parties.

The Contracting Parties shall seek to take all appropriate advantage of the expertise and to support the operations of relevant international financial institutions in mobilising private Investments in connection with the subject matter of this Agreement.

Each Contracting Party shall grant Investors of another Contracting Party non-discriminatory access to capital markets for energy investments and shall support the operations and expertise of relevant international institutions in mobilizing private investments.*

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44 **Russian Federation** suggests adding: “and for financing trade in Energy Materials and Products”.

45 **USA** proposes this paragraph should read: “As appropriate, the Contracting Parties may seek to take advantage of the expertise of relevant international financial institutions and to support the operations of the international financial institutions to implement programmes that endeavor to improve the economic stability and investment climates of the Contracting Parties.”

46 **Japan** asks for deletion of paragraphs (1) and (3).

* **Ed. note:** Italics added to emphasise the part relevant to current Article 9.2
[Article 13].3 – Access to Capital

The Contracting Parties shall seek to the greatest extent possible to take advantage of and to support the operations and expertise of relevant international financial institutions in mobilising private Investments in connection with the subject matter of this Agreement.
Article 9.4

ECT as adopted (17/12/94)
CONF 104 (Text for adoption) (14/09/94)
Article 9.4 – Access to Capital

Nothing in this Article shall prevent:

(a) financial institutions from applying their own lending or underwriting practices based on market principles and prudential considerations; or

(b) a Contracting Party from taking measures:

i. for prudential reasons, including the protection of Investors, consumers, depositors, policy-holders or persons to whom a fiduciary duty is owed by a financial service supplier; or

ii. to ensure the integrity and stability of its financial system and capital markets.

Interim text (25/06/94)
Article 10.4 – Access to Capital

Nothing in this Article shall prevent

(a) financial institutions from applying their own lending or underwriting practices based on market principles and prudential considerations or prevent

(b) a Contracting Party from taking measures

(i) for prudential reasons, including for the protection of Investors, consumers, depositors, policy holders or persons to whom a fiduciary duty is owed by a financial service supplier; or

(ii) to ensure the integrity and stability of its financial system and capital markets.

Interim text (20/06/94)
Compromise text [CONF 98] (22/04/94)
Article 10.4 – Access to Capital

Nothing in this Article shall prevent financial institutions from applying their own lending/underwriting practices based on market principles and prudential considerations or prevent a Contracting Party from taking measures for prudential reasons, including for the protection of Investors, consumers, depositors, policy holders or persons to whom a fiduciary duty is owed by a financial service supplier, or to ensure the integrity and stability of its financial system and capital markets.
Nothing in this Article shall prevent financial institutions from applying their own lending/underwriting practices based on market principles and prudential considerations or prevent a Contracting Party from taking measures for prudential reasons, including for the protection of Investors, consumers, depositors, policy holders or persons to whom a fiduciary duty is owed by a financial service supplier, or to ensure the integrity and stability of its financial system and capital markets."

Nothing in this Article shall prevent financial institutions from applying their own lending/underwriting practices based on market principles and prudential considerations or prevent a Contracting Party from taking measures for prudential reasons, including for the protection of Investors, consumers, depositors, policy holders or persons to whom a fiduciary duty is owed by a financial service supplier, or to ensure the integrity and stability of the financial system.

Nothing in this Article shall prevent financial institutions from applying their own lending/underwriting practices based on market principles and prudential considerations or prevent Contracting Parties from taking measures for prudential reasons, including for the protection of Investors, depositors, policy holders or persons to whom a fiduciary duty is owed by a financial service supplier, or to ensure the integrity and stability of the financial system.

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47 Russian Federation scrutiny reserve.
48 Russian Federation proposes deletion of this paragraph.
49 USA proposal.