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REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE MINISTERS IN CHARGE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES AND COMMUNICATIONS OF THE BSEC MEMBER STATES

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- 1. The Meeting of the Ministers in Charge of Information Technologies and Communications of the BSEC Member States was held in Moscow, on 17 October 2006. It was preceded by the Meeting of the BSEC Working Group on Information and Communication Technologies on 16-17 October 2006.
- 2. The Meeting was chaired by H.E. Mr. Leonid REYMAN, Minister for Information Technologies and Communications of the Russian Federation.
- 3. The representatives of the following BSEC Member States attended the Meeting:

Republic of Armenia Republic of Azerbaijan Republic of Bulgaria Georgia Hellenic Republic Republic of Moldova Romania Russian Federation Ukraine

- 4. The Meeting was attended by the representatives of the Republic of Tunisia and the United States of America as BSEC Observers.
- 5. The representative of the Regional Commonwealth in the Field of Communications (RCC) participated at the Meeting in capacity of Sectoral Dialogue Partner.

The List of Participants of the Meeting is attached as Annex I.

- 6. H.E. Mr. Mikhail FRADKOV, Prime Minister of the Russian Federation addressed the Participants of the Meeting.
- 7. H.E. Mr. Leonid REYMAN, Minister for Information Technologies and Communications of the Russian Federation, and Ambassador Andrey URONV, Deputy Secretary General of the Organization of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation, delivered welcoming speeches.
- 8. The draft agenda of the Meeting was discussed and adopted. The agenda, as adopted by the Heads of the Delegations, is attached as Annex II.
- 9. The Heads of Delegations delivered their general statements and discussed on the agenda items.
- 10. The Joint Declaration of the Ministers in Charge of Information Technologies and Communications of the BSEC Member States was considered by the Participants and adopted. The text is attached as Annex III.
- 11. The Memorandum of Understanding on Multilateral Cooperation in the field of Postal Service was signed at the Meeting.
- 12. The Participants highly appreciated the work done by the outgoing Country Coordinator, the Russian Federation, and welcomed the willingness of Ukraine to assume these functions.
- 13. The Participants expressed deep gratitude to the Government of the Russian Federation for its successful BSEC Chairmanship-in-Office and its contribution to the promotion of the BSEC goals as well as for the hospitality extended to the delegations and the excellent organization of the Meeting in Moscow.
- 14. The Participants adopted the Report of the Meeting and decided to present it to the Fifteenth Council of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the BSEC Member States to be held in Moscow, the Russian Federation, on 1 November 2006.
