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REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE MINISTERS IN CHARGE OF TOURISM OF THE BSEC MEMBER STATES

Kyiv, 10 October 2013

1. The Meeting of the Ministers in charge of Tourism of the BSEC Member States was held in Kyiv, on 10 October 2013.

2. The Meeting was chaired by Mrs. Olena SHAPOVALOVA, Head of the State Agency of Ukraine for Tourism and Resorts of Ukraine.

- 3. 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 Republic of Serbia Republic of Turkey Ukraine

4. The following BSEC Observers attended the Meeting:

Republic of Croatia Czech Republic

5. The following BSEC Sectoral Dialogue Partner also participated in the Meeting:

Montenegro

6. The following Official Guests attended the Meeting:

United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO)

7. The list of Participants is attached as **Annex I**.

8. The draft agenda of the Meeting was discussed and adopted. The agenda, as adopted, is attached as **Annex II.**

9. Mrs. Olena SHAPOVALOVA, Head of the State Agency of Ukraine for Tourism and Resorts of Ukraine, delivered an opening statement.

10. Mr. Taleb RIFAI, Secretary General of the World Tourism Organization (UNWTO), addressed the Meeting.

11. Ambassador Dr. Victor TVIRCUN, Secretary General of BSEC PERMIS, also addressed the Meeting.

12. The Heads of Delegations delivered their national statements reflecting the Agenda items.

13. The representatives of the BSEC Observers and Sectoral Dialogue Partners delivered their statements.

14. The representatives of the BSEC Member States adopted "The Declaration of the Ministers in Charge of Tourism of the of the Member States of the Organization of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation". The Declaration is attached as **Annex III**.

15. The Participants expressed their deep gratitude to the Government of Ukraine and the State Agency of Ukraine for Tourism and Resorts for the excellent organization of the Meeting in Kyiv and the hospitality extended to the delegations.

16. The Participants adopted the Report of the Meeting and decided to present it to the 29th Council of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the BSEC Member States, to be held in Yerevan, on 12 December 2013.