REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE MINISTERS OF ENERGY OF THE BSEC MEMBER STATES
Alexandroupolis, 4 March 2005

1. The Meeting of the Ministers of Energy of the BSEC Member States was held in Alexandroupolis, Greece, on 4 March 2005.

2. The Meeting was chaired by H.E. Mr. Dimitris SIOUFAS, Minister of Development of the Hellenic Republic.

3. The representatives of the following BSEC Member States attended the Meeting:

   Republic of Albania
   Republic of Armenia
   Republic of Azerbaijan
   Republic of Bulgaria
   Georgia
   Hellenic Republic
   Republic of Moldova
   Romania
   Russian Federation
   Serbia and Montenegro
   Republic of Turkey
   Ukraine

4. The representatives of the BSEC Business Council (BSEC BC) and the International Center for Black Sea Studies (ICBSS) also participated in the Meeting.

5. The representative of the Secretariat of the Council of the European Union took part in the Meeting as official Guest.

6. Ambassadors of the Hellenic Republic to the BSEC Member States attended the Meeting upon the invitation of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Greece.

The List of Participants of the Meeting is attached as Annex I.
7. H.E. Mr. Dimitris SIOUFAS, Minister of Development of the Hellenic Republic delivered an opening statement.

8. H.E. Mr. Andris PIEBALGS, Energy Commissioner, European Commission, conveyed a message to the Participants of the Meeting.

9. H.E. Mr. Nikos TSIARTSIONIS, Minister of Macedonia and Thrace, H.E. Mr. Evripidis STYLIANIDIS, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Hellenic Republic and H.E. Ambassador Tedo JAPARIDZE, Secretary General of BSEC PERMIS, addressed the Participants of the Meeting.

10. 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.

11. The Heads of Delegations delivered their general statements and discussed on the Agenda items.

12. The Participants of the Meeting adopted the “Alexandroupolis Declaration on Energy Cooperation in the BSEC Region”. The Declaration is attached as Annex III.

13. The Participants expressed deep gratitude to the Government of the Hellenic Republic 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 Alexandroupolis.

14. The Participants adopted the Report of the Meeting and decided to present it to the Twelfth Council of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the BSEC Member States to be held in Komotini, Hellenic Republic, on 23 April 2005.