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The Secretariat of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia (CICA) presents its compliments to the CICA Member States and has the honour to forward herewith draft updated concept paper and action plan for the implementation of confidence building measures in the priority area of “Energy Security”. The concept paper is updated by the Republic of Korea taking into account comments/suggestions received from Member States.

Member States are kindly requested to provide their views and comments before 20 April 2024. Following agreement from Member States, the concept paper will be submitted for consideration at the upcoming Special Working Group meeting.

The Secretariat avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the CICA Member States the assurances of its highest consideration.

Astana, 19 March 2024



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Азиядағы өзара іс-қимыл және сенім шаралары кеңесінің (Азия Кеңесінің) Хатшылығы Азия Кеңесіне мүше мемлекеттерге өзінің зор ілтипатын білдіреді және «Энергетикалық қауіпсіздік» басым саласындағы сенім шараларын іске асыру бойынша жаңартылған тұжырымдама мен іс-қимыл жоспарының жобасын жолдауды өзіне мәртебе санайды. Тұжырымдаманы Корея Республикасы мүше мемлекеттерден келіп түскен ескертулерді/ұсыныстарды ескере отырып жаңартты.

Хатшылық мүше мемлекеттерден өз пікірлері мен ескертулерін 2024 жылдың 20 сәуіріне дейін жіберуді сұрайды. Мүше мемлекеттер келіскеннен кейін тұжырымдама Арнаулы жұмыс тобының алдағы отырысында қарауға ұсынылатын болады.

Хатшылық осы мүмкіндікті пайдалана отырып, Азия Кеңесіне мүше мемлекеттерге өзінің зор ілтипатын тағы да растайды.

Астана қаласы, 2024 жылғы 19 наурыз

**АЗИЯДАҒЫ ӨЗАРА ІС-ҚИМЫЛ ЖӘНЕ  
СЕНІМ ШАРАЛАРЫ КЕҢЕСІНЕ  
МҮШЕ МЕМЛЕКЕТТЕР**



**ҚАЗАҚСТАН РЕСПУБЛИКАСЫ  
СЫРТҚЫ ІСТЕР  
МИНИСТРЛІГІ**

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Қазақстан Республикасының Сыртқы істер министрлігі Азиядағы өзара іс-қимыл және сенім шаралары кеңесінің (АӨСШК) Хатшылығына өзінің ілтипатын білдіре отырып, «Энергетикалық қауіпсіздік» басым саласындағы үйлестіруші болып табылатын Корея Республикасы жолдаған тиісті жаңартылған тұжырымдаманың жобасы мен іс-шаралар жоспарын жіберуді өзіне мәртебе санайды.

Осыған орай, Корея Республикасының өтінішіне сәйкес, Министрлік Хатшылықтан аталған құжатты қарастыру үшін АӨСШК-ке мүше мемлекеттерге жіберуді сұрайды.

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Министрлік осы мүмкіндікті пайдалана отырып, Хатшылыққа өзінің зор ілтипатын тағы да растайды.

Астана қаласы, 2024 жылғы « 14 » наурыз



**АЗИЯДАҒЫ ӨЗАРА ІС-ҚИМЫЛ  
ЖӘНЕ СЕНІМ ШАРАЛАРЫ  
КЕҢЕСІНІҢ ХАТШЫЛЫҒЫ**

**Астана қаласы**



*Enclosure:  
as stated,  
on 7 p.*

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia (CICA) and has the honour to forward the draft of the relevant updated concept paper and the action plan sent by the Republic of Korea as the coordinator in the priority area “Energy security”.

In this regard, at the request of the Republic of Korea, the Ministry kindly asks the Secretariat to circulate this document among the CICA Member States for their consideration.

The Ministry avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat the assurances of its highest consideration.

Astana, 14 March 2024

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EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA

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Корея Республикасының Қазақстан Республикасындағы Елшілігі, Қазақстан Республикасының Сыртқы істер министрлігіне өзінің ілтипатын білдіреді және келесі мәлімдемені хабарлауды өзіне мәртебе санайды.

Азиядағы өзара іс-қимыл және сенім шаралары жөніндегі кеңес (АӨСШК) Хатшылығының EN-P-103 (30 қаңтар, 2024 ж.) хатына байланысты, Корея Республикасының Сыртқы істер министрлігі Корея Республикасы үйлестірушісі болып табылатын энергетикалық қауіпсіздік саласындағы түзеткен тұжырымдамалық құжат пен іс-шаралар жоспарын АӨСШК-ге мүше елдерінің пікірлерін ескере отырып жазған.

Осыған сәйкес, АӨСШК-ге мүше елдердің пікірлерін тағы бір рет жинақтау үшін осы құжатты АӨСШК Хатшылығына жібере отырып, осы мәселе бойынша ҚР Сыртқы істер министрлігінен ынтымақтастықты сұраймыз.

Корея Республикасының Қазақстан Республикасындағы Елшілігі, осы мүмкіндікті пайдалана отырып, Қазақстан Республикасының Сыртқы істер министрлігіне өзінің зор ілтипатын тағы да растайды.

*Қосымша: Тұжырымдамалық құжат пен іс-шаралар жоспары – 6 бет.*

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The Embassy of the Republic of Korea in the Republic of Kazakhstan presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan and has the honour to inform of the following.

With reference to Note Verbale EN-P-103 of 30 January 2024 from the Secretariat of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia (CICA), the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea has revised the concept paper and action plan in the area of “Energy security” as coordinator of this area, taking into account the views of the CICA Member States.

In this regard, the Embassy kindly requests the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan to assist on this issue by forwarding this document to the CICA Secretariat to once again collect the views of the CICA Member States.

The Embassy of the Republic of Korea in the Republic of Kazakhstan avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan the assurances of its highest consideration.

*Enclosure: concept paper and action plan, 6 pp.*

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Astana, 11 March 2024

## **Concept Paper and Action Plan on the CICA Confidence Building Measures in the Area of « Energy Security»**

### **I. Background**

Since its establishment in 1992, CICA has taken great strides forward in achieving its goals of promoting peace, security and trust in Asia. In October 2022, the Sixth Summit was held to mark the 30th anniversary of CICA, and the Astana Statement on CICA Transformation was adopted to make CICA regional international organization. In this context, the implementation of the CBMs assumes greater importance.

Energy security is being dealt with as a major concern of the international community in connection with changes in the international political and economic environment and economic security. Changes in the energy supply chain in Europe and Asia, the Paris Agreement on climate change, carbon neutrality, and sustainable growth are emerging as new energy security issues.

The CICA energy vision places a focus on advancing CICA energy security and achieving energy transition partnerships. To this end, CICA strives to ensure energy security, to secure momentum for economic development, to use and engage in cooperation on energy related to social development and environmental improvement, strengthen human exchanges for energy system and technology development, and strengthen cooperation with international organizations.

In this regard, the basic pillars of the establishment of CICA's energy security are stabilizing the energy market, improving energy access, developing alternative energy sources, and enhancing energy efficiency, based on the elements of the 2010 concept paper. For energy cooperation among member states, there is a need to expand oil and gas and develop energy infrastructure including renewable energy, improve energy efficiency, and promote exchanges between member states.

Acknowledging the importance of the main documents, including the Almaty Act, adopted to achieve energy security through harmonization of policies in the fields of economy, ecology and security;



Agreeing to the importance of energy security and the stability of the world energy market;

Understanding that the goal of multilateral energy cooperation should be to protect the interests of all participants in the energy supply chain as well as to increase the reliability of the supply of affordable and ecologically safe energy resources;

Recognizing the interrelation between energy security and development dynamics in a sustainable economy at the global and regional levels, as well as the geopolitical aspects of energy issues;

Emphasizing that cooperation in the energy sector among CICA Member States brings stability to the Asian region and also emphasizing the importance of establishing a platform for continued exchanges for this purpose;

Acknowledging the need for enhanced cooperation in the energy sector to improve social welfare and sustainable economic development;

Recognizing the importance of participating in the global trend of environmental protection;

Agreeing to realizing greenhouse gas reduction by improving fossil fuel energy efficiency and expanding the use of renewable energy;

Intending to conduct dialogue to identify areas of common interest in the energy sector and introduce balanced and diversified energy policies, taking into account the need for energy security, economic development and environmental protection;

Expecting to collaborate to prevent and overcome energy crises and vulnerabilities through the development and diffusion of efficient, environmentally-friendly and flexible energy systems and affordable technologies;

Reaffirming readiness to ensure energy security and cooperation by implementing the CICA CBMs;

Intending to strengthen cooperation and coordination among Member States to ensure energy security, address energy challenges and find solutions and acceptable standards;

Understanding the importance of developing energy of all types of sources, presenting strategies for carbon neutrality, cooperating to harmonize energy development plans, designing proactive measures and enhancing capacity among CICA Member States;

The CICA Member States will strive to ensure that a synergy effect is created through mutual cooperation between countries with abundant fossil fuels and natural environments and countries with technological competitiveness in renewable energy and hydrogen energy.

In this regard, the Member States of CICA agree on the following:

## **II. Areas of Cooperation**

The main areas of cooperation between the CICA Member States are as follows:

1. Joint efforts to ensure stability of the energy market
  - A) Promoting and building cooperation and dialogue between CICA Member States
    - i. encouraging the use of market mechanisms in the energy markets, which would contribute to economic growth and increase the efficiency of energy trade in Member States
    - ii. expanding the energy supply and demand infrastructure between regions to facilitate transportation and storage of regional energy resources
    - iii. establishing energy interconnection between Member States
  - B) Taking joint measures to manage the energy supply and flow, as well as holding joint events, directed at increasing the volume of energy trade amongst Member States
    - i. encouraging access to new reserves
    - ii. engaging in joint efforts to build new energy infrastructures and new projects in this field
    - iii. facilitating investment in the energy industry within the industry among Member States
    - iv. establishing a system that can stably increase the volume of energy trade in the region by guaranteeing mutual benefits between Member States
    - v. collaborating to ensure the security of the maritime energy supply chain
    - vi. undertaking joint research in the area of geological exploration to discover new reserves of energy resources

C) Encouraging long-term commitment to the development of the energy sector in each Member State and cooperation on energy security among Member States

- i. engaging in joint research and exchanges in the field of energy policy and security to bridge the gap between the concept of energy security and short-term and long-term policy goals in the energy sector among Member States
- ii. promoting joint projects to create a foundation for policy development, such as sharing energy sector policy information among Member States and creating and developing related statistics
- iii. engaging in joint research to evaluate the energy security level of individual Member State and to gain a sense of direction for cooperation in the energy security sector among Member States

2. Improvement in Energy Efficiency and Development of Alternative Energy Resources

A) Nurturing the necessary conditions for joint development of technologies among the Member States in the areas of energy conservation, energy efficiency and renewable energy resources, as well as upgrading of existing energy technologies

- i. arranging expert consultations to establish standards and targets for energy saving and increased efficiency in the region
- ii. promoting exchanges between civil society organizations to increase public awareness of energy efficiency and renewable energy supply projects, etc.

B) Disseminating information and exchanging advanced expertise in energy including for the development and implementation of renewable energy resources

- i. organizing meetings and seminars to exchange information on new technologies and experiences to improve energy efficiency
- ii. holding training courses, meetings and seminars for staff members of related laboratories and institutes specialized in energy research including renewable energy
- iii. exchanging information on Carbon Capture Utilization and Storage (CCUS), a hydrogen energy production technology, and training of research personnel and transferring of technology
- iv. promoting exchanges at the expert level by fostering links with Think Tanks,

bringing together experts from industry and academia

3. Renewable Energy and Carbon Neutrality Cooperation Linked with Climate Change Response

A) Promoting renewable energy cooperation

- i. demonstrating energy technology development, human resources development, joint investment and pilot projects in the field of renewable energy and eco-friendliness
- ii. establishing infrastructure to expand the use of new and renewable energy
- iii. cooperating on the construction of new and renewable energy-related equipment and material supply value chains

B) Enhancing the implementation of the Paris Agreement on Climate Change and cooperating for clean and low-carbon energy systems

- i. reducing greenhouse gas emissions by improving efficiency of fossil fuel sources
- ii. improving the energy mix to be cleaner
- iii. building safe and highly efficient energy systems
- iv. improving air quality and expanding the smart grids and renewable energy
- v. improving national energy access and expanding new growth engines

4. Cooperation using the CICA energy cooperation mechanism

A) Utilizing the CICA cooperation mechanism, which provides various channels for communication between governments, businesses and citizens of Member States

B) Strengthening energy-related cooperation with international organizations in the fields of climate change and renewable energy, among others

### **III. Action Plan**

In order to implement CBMs within the framework of the current Concept Paper and to achieve substantial confidence-building enhancement,

- a) Member States will hold working meetings at the expert level if needed;
- b) Member States will promote cooperation and mutual benefits in the energy sector by utilizing the Working Bodies and Advisory Bodies and the CICA Fund operated by CICA;
- c) Member States may consider designating contact points for cooperation on energy matters;
- d) Member States will create and hold the CICA Energy Expert Forum to share energy security and cooperation information by utilizing the CICA Expert Meeting and the Think Tank Forum. The CICA Energy Expert Forum will propose harmonization of energy policies by identifying agenda items for cooperation, cooperation plans that will make valuable use of the characteristics of the energy industry, new renewable energy development plans and infrastructure expansion plans to realize a carbon-neutral society;
- e) Member States will utilize the CICA Youth Council to implement exchange programs for younger people and emerging scholars to raise awareness of the importance of regional energy cooperation for the energy transition.