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The Secretary-General Генеральный Секретарь

> Brussels, 12 November 2014 SG/14/E/0624

Mr. Maroš Šefčovic Vice-President for Energy Union European Commission

Dear Mr. Vice-President,

Hilly Maros,

I was very pleased to have met you again on Monday 10 November and discuss the modalities of the functioning of the European Commission under a new structure as well as the Energy Charter and its ongoing endeavours in the field of enhancing energy security and energy governance.

In this light, I would like to thank you for a very interesting exchange of views on current and prospective activities of the new College of the European Commission, in view of finding areas of mutual interest and potential joint cooperation between the Energy Charter and the European Commission.

In my opinion, with your exciting new agenda ahead as well as developments in the Energy Charter Process, our two organisations can embark on a path of a highly fruitful and mutually beneficial cooperation.

With the extended invitations for you to take part in the upcoming Energy Charter Conference in Astana on 26-27 November and the Ashgabat Energy Charter Forum on 9-11 December this year, we could facilitate a series of high-level meetings for you in the region of Central Asia, which is of great importance for the Energy Charter Process as well as for the security and diversification of supply of energy to the European Union.

In return, having you in the capacity of European Commission Vice-President for Energy Union, taking active part in the Energy Charter Process, could help further develop our activities, as well as facilitate a closer engagement of EU's strategic partners, such as the United States, China and India.

Finally, I am convinced that our cooperation would bear fruit in your upcoming work in the European Commission as well as raise awareness in the activities of the Energy Charter, which I am sure you realise, creates a multilateral legally-binding level playing field in the transit, trade and investment in energy on a global scale.

I look forward to our fruitful cooperation and I wish you all the best in your upcoming work as the European Commission Vice-President for Energy Union.

Sincerely yours,

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