



Energy Community Ministerial Council Meeting of June 26, 2009

AGENDA ITEM FIVE: Renewable Energy Resources

DECLARATION OF SUPPORT For the Establishment of a Renewable Energy Task Force

Whereas, the US Agency for International Development and the Greek Hellenic Aid have established a strategic partnership to advance the development of Renewable Energy in the Energy Community,

Whereas, USAID and Hellenic Aid have in place quality expert resources through International Resources Group (IRG) and the Center for Renewable Energy Sources and Saving (CRES), respectively, to develop and implement renewable energy studies, plans and related projects,

Whereas, USAID and Hellenic Aid have funded IRG and CRES work over the past year to assess the status of renewable energy development in the Energy Community, incorporate renewable energy into national strategic energy planning, and develop with interested countries initial Action Plans to address key constraints to renewable energy resource development,

Therefore with Respect to the Above:

USAID, Hellenic Aid and our partners strongly endorse the establishment of an Energy Community Renewable Energy Task Force and state our full intention to support its technical work through both regional and national plans and projects.



We look forward to discussions with the Governments and the Energy Community Secretariat on the modalities of this support at an early date and welcome the opportunity to work with other interested donors in this important area.

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