

## **DECISION OF THE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL OF THE ENERGY COMMUNITY**

**D/2016/09/MC-EnC: on the failure of the Republic of Albania to comply with the Energy Community Treaty in Case ECS-10/16**

THE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL OF THE ENERGY COMMUNITY,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the Energy Community ("the Treaty"), and in particular Article 91(1)(a) thereof;

Upon the Reasoned Request by the Secretariat in Case ECS-10/16 dated 13 May 2016;

Having regard to the absence of a Reply by the Republic of Albania;

Having regard to the Letter by the Advisory Committee established under Article 32 of Procedural Act No 2008/01/MC-EnC of the Ministerial Council of the Energy Community of 27 June 2008 on the Rules of Procedure for Dispute Settlement under the Treaty, as amended by Procedural Act No 2015/04/MC-EnC, dated 22 July 2016, not to give an Opinion on the case;

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

### **Article 1 Failure of Albania to comply with the Treaty**

1. By failing to adopt the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with Directive 2010/31/EU, pursuant to Article 1(3)g of Ministerial Council Decision 2010/02/MC-EnC, and by failing to forthwith notify those measures to the Secretariat, the Republic of Albania has failed to comply with Articles 6 and 89 of the Treaty as well as Article 28(1) subparagraph 1 and paragraph (2) of the Directive 2010/31/EU as adapted by Article 1(3)(g) of Ministerial Council Decision 2010/02/MC-EnC.

2. For the reasons sustaining these findings, reference is made to the Reasoned Request.

### **Article 2 Follow-up**

1. The Republic of Albania shall take all appropriate measures to rectify the breaches identified in Article 1 and ensure compliance with Energy Community law, in cooperation with the Secretariat, by December 2016. The Republic of Albania shall report regularly to the Secretariat and the Permanent High Level Group about the measures taken.

2. If the breaches have not been rectified, the Secretariat is invited to initiate a procedure under Article 92 of the Treaty.

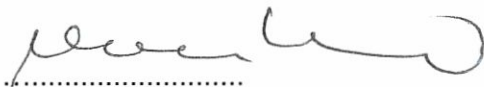
**Article 3**  
**Addressees and entry into force**

This Decision is addressed to the Parties and the institutions under the Treaty. It enters into force upon its adoption.

Done in Sarajevo on 14 October 2016

For the Ministerial Council

Presidency

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "P. Štorgić", written over a dotted line.