PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY OF TURKIC STATES

COMMISSION ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION

TWELFTH MEETING

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RECOMMENDATION

ENERGY SECURITY AS A FACTOR OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF ECONOMY

The Parliamentary Assembly:

Understanding the need to use the available opportunities to ensure energy security as a factor of the sustainable development of the economy of the TURKPA member countries;

Emphasizing the importance of creating conditions to institutionalize energy cooperation among the TURKPA member states through the establishment of integrated Turkic Energy Market;

Reiterating our adherence to the achievement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals, in particular SDG 7 – “ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all”;

Recognizing the need to create favorable conditions for the transit routes passing through the TURKPA territory established in the international treaties that approved by the TURKPA member countries in order to stimulate trade and economic development;

Welcoming all mutual cooperation activities aimed at strengthening the national economies of the TURKPA member states;

Confirming the importance of supporting the initiative of any party to contribute to joint economic cooperation in the TURKPA region;

Realizing that in the increasingly complicated geopolitical and international energy situation, the TURKPA cooperation should be focused on improving mutually beneficial trade mechanisms;

Understanding the need to increase the transit potential in order to stimulate the trade and economic cooperation as an important element of sustainable growth and economic development;

Considering the special role of parliaments and parliamentarians in extraction, processing, transportation and consumption of energy, as well as all sectors of the national economy related to energy production and energy consumption by enacting legislation, approving budgets, mobilizing resources,

Recommends that the parliaments of the TURKPA member countries:

a) *to improve* the legal framework related to energy security, with subsequent harmonization and approximation of the legislation among the TURKPA member countries;

b) *to ensure* collaboration among the TURKPA member states for energy diversification and clean/green energy, particularly in the field of renewable energy such as solar, wind, nuclear, bioenergy through joint investments, knowledge, experience and know-how exchanges;

c) *to study* national and international best practices related to the effective use of investment programs aimed at realizing energy security and economic potential for stakeholders in order to approximate the legislation of the TURKPA member countries in the relevant field;

d) *to build* strategic partnership among the TURKPA member states in the field of energy through coordination of policies, promotion of energy trade, investments, joining the production of energy products, research and technological cooperation to provide secure, sustainable, competitive and affordable energy to the TURKPA member states;

e) *to develop* strategic energy infrastructure projects in the region such as Baku-Tbilisi-Ceyhan, Baku-Tbilisi-Erzurum, Southern Gas Corridor and its components Trans-Anatolian Natural Gas Pipeline (TANAP) and Trans Adriatic Pipeline (TAP), *to meet* the demand of the TURKPA member states, *to provide* them with alternative routes, as well as *to contribute* to European and global energy security;

f) *to ensure* close cooperation between governments and private sectors for conducting research and innovation in order to reduce cost and increase the use of contemporary energy technologies, in particular those related to the energy efficiency and energy storage, and to establish joint production and distribution of petrochemical products;

g) *to establish* close cooperation with international organizations including but not limited to International Energy Agency (IEA), International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) and Energy Charter;

h) *to shift* energy cooperation among the TURKPA member states from a pure supplier-consumer relationship towards more technology-based cooperation supportive of energy security and efficiency with emphasis on energy diversification and clean/green energy;

i) *to ensure* universal access to affordable clean/green energy carriers and end-use services for households and communities living in urban and rural areas;

j) *to develop* a wide international exchange and a variety of the best technologies in the field of low carbon development, in particular in industry, agriculture, energy, transport, and renewable energy sources;

k) *to support* the deployment of green digital solutions that accelerate the low-emitting energy networks, decrease pollution, and optimize resource efficiency;

l) *to adopt* a common position in the Trans-Caspian Natural Gas Pipeline Project, enabling the transportation of oil and natural gas extracted through upstream projects to international markets;

m) *to create* opportunities for cooperation in oil and gas transmission-distribution pipelines, storage facilities, and other infrastructure regarding front-end engineering design, engineering, technical consultancy, construction, and operation, as well as in the development of upstream, midstream, and downstream projects and oil and gas trade;

n) *to explore* the possibility of providing the transfer of knowledge and technology through expert exchanges for pipeline management and pipeline modernization, starting with the transfer of experience and technology of BOTAŞ Petroleum Pipeline Corporation in the field of pipeline security and Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA);

o) *to expand* cooperation ties with both energy producers and potential consumers and *to ensure* the transition to energy-saving technologies, as well as *to increase* the capacity of the industry through the construction and modernization of power plants;

p) *to use* energy-efficient, highly economical equipment, which allows not only to reduce the commissioning of new energy capacities, but also to replace outdated equipment of power plants, reduce the environmental burden and free up financial resources for the development of environmentally friendly installations of renewable energy sources;

q) *to conduct* energy saving expertise of products of existing and reconstructed facilities, technologies and equipment; *to ensure* the implementation of projects for the introduction of energy efficient equipment and products; *to implement* the optimization of energy production and consumption modes, the organization of its accounting and control; *to introduce* new and *improve* existing building codes and regulations that ensure the conservation of energy resources;

r) *to adopt* a number of fiscal and administrative measures to stimulate the production and use of both renewable energy sources and mechanisms and instruments for regulating the use of natural energy resources, as well as *to motivate* the population to strive to use energy-efficient production and *to educate* them in energy-saving behavior.