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**QUESTIONNAIRE ON THE MAJOR INDICATORS
OF COAL SECTOR RESTRUCTURING***

(Prepared by the secretariat)

Deadline

It is requested that information/data asked for in this questionnaire be provided to the secretariat not later than 25 March 2005.

* In accordance with the decision of the Ad Hoc Group of Experts on Coal in Sustainable Development at its sixth session, in November 2003 (ENERGY/GE.1/2003/3).

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. As discussed at the sixth session of the Ad Hoc Group of Experts on Coal in Sustainable Development held in November 2003, it was agreed that the Secretariat should seek to update its data series on the major indicators of coal sector restructuring, in particular for Central and Eastern Europe, the Commonwealth of Independent States and Central Asia. The most recent data provided by UNECE member countries were for the period 1990 to 2000 (ENERGY/GE.1/2001/4). Hence, it was agreed that data should be requested for the period from 2001 to date.

2. Based upon the data provided by countries a summary report will be prepared by the secretariat for publication in 2005.

3. In addition to the data requested in this questionnaire, countries are also encouraged to provide any other relevant general or country specific information.

4. Data on the major indicators of coal sector restructuring for the period 1990-2000 were previously provided to the secretariat by the following countries: Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Hungary, Kazakhstan, Poland, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia and Montenegro, Slovakia, Slovenia, Turkey and Ukraine.

II. EXPLANATORY NOTES

5. The table on page 3 provides a summary of the information required by member countries.

- (a) Coal Production: the level of total coal production in million tonnes (Mt) for the full year specified.
- (b) Number of Mines/Pits: the number of mines or pits in operation during the year in question.
- (c) Employment Levels: the number of employees directly employed in the coal mines.
- (d) State Subsidies: subsidies/state aid directly provided by the State/Government in US\$.
- (e) Investment: level of funds invested in the coal sector in US\$.
- (f) Productivity Growth: as data is held by the secretariat for the period 1990 to 2000, when providing productivity growth information countries are requested to relate back to 1990 levels i.e. to use "1990 = 100".

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Please return responses to: UNECE, IREED Division, Sustainable Energy Section

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Replying Country:	Address:
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		YEAR			
	INDICATOR	2001	2002	2003	2004
1	Coal Production in million tonnes (Mt)				
2	Number of Active Mines/Pits				
	<i>of which</i> (i) Opencast				
	(ii) Underground				
3	Number of Employees (thousands)				
4	Level of State Subsidies (1990 = 100)				
5	Total Productivity Growth (1990 = 100)				
6	Investment (US\$)				