

Ad Hoc Group of Experts on the Supply of Fossil Fuels

Report to the extended bureau of the UNECE Committee on
Sustainable Energy

by

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In December 2003, the Committee on Sustainable Energy....

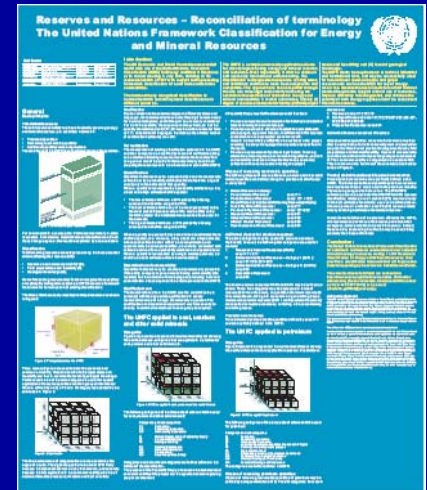
- ◆ Recommended promotion of the UNFC worldwide and invited the Commission to submit a proposal to ECOSOC to that effect
- ◆ Recommended cooperation with OPEC and ESCWA in promoting UNFC for petroleum
- ◆ Welcomed ad hoc group decision to strengthen its support of the committee by focusing on efficient and benign extraction
- ◆ Approved and recommended a broad pattern of international cooperation and assistance activities
- ◆ Requested the ad hoc group to change name and continue for two years under the expanded mandate

Calendar of main events

- ◆ **January**
 - ✓ Harmonisation of UNFC and draft classification of the Russian Federation – Moscow
- ◆ **February**
 - ✓ UNECE recommends that ECOSOC adopts UNFC
- ◆ **May**
 - ✓ UNFC discussed in the SPE/WPC/AAPG oil and gas reserves committee
- ◆ **June:**
 - ✓ UNECE/UNESCWA/UNSD/OPEC meet in Beirut
 - ✓ Questioning Petroleum Reserves, RIIA meeting in London
- ◆ **July:**
 - ✓ ECOSOC resolution 2004/233
- ◆ **September:**
 - ✓ 19th World Energy Congress, Sydney
 - ✓ IQPC Conference London
 - ✓ SPE-ATCE and OGRC, Houston
 - ✓ IASB extractive industries project team, London
- ◆ **October:**
 - ✓ Comments to CESR
- ◆ **November**
 - ✓ Ad Hoc Group meeting in Geneva
 - ✓ IQPC Conference Houston
- ◆ **December:**
 - ✓ IRR Conference London
 - ✓ CERA conference in Washington D.C.
 - ✓ Extended Bureau, UNECE Committee on Sustainable Energy

Selected publications

- ◆ UNECE Web site
- ◆ World Energy Congress Sydney
- ◆ SPE ATCE – Houston
- ◆ Oil and Gas Journal Nov. 1
- ◆ Mineral Resources South Africa
- ◆ World Petroleum (in print)



Ad hoc group meeting

- ◆ Excellent attendance and interest
- ◆ Re-election of bureau – no change of task force leaders
- ◆ Split views on TOR and group name
- ◆ Strong support for one common code

Decision

- ◆ OPEC secretariat and the Russian federation invited to the bureau

Current objectives

1. Provide advisory/technical assistance to countries and regions.
2. Develop guidelines. Secure one common code
3. Create national teams
4. Consider case studies
5. Maintain close relations with international organisations
6. Agree draft TOR and name for CSE consideration and approval