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REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE MINISTERS AND HEADS OF EMERGENCIES AND RESCUE GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES OF THE BSEC MEMBER STATES

Sochi, the Russian Federation, 8 June 2016

- 1. The Meeting of the Ministers and Heads of Emergencies and Rescue Governmental Agencies of the BSEC Member States was held in Sochi, the Russian Federation, on 8 June 2016. The Meeting was preceded by the Meeting of the BSEC Working Group on Cooperation in Emergency Assistance, held in Sochi on 6-7 June 2016.
- 2. The Meeting was chaired by H.E. Mr. Vladimir PUCHKOV, Minister of the Russian Federation for Civil Defense, Emergencies and Elimination of Consequences of Natural Disasters.
- 3. The Meeting was attended by the representatives of the following BSEC Member States:

Republic of Armenia Republic of Azerbaijan Republic of Bulgaria Hellenic Republic Romania Russian Federation Republic of Serbia

- 4. The List of Participants of the Meeting is attached as **Annex I.**
- 5. H.E. Mr. Vladimir PUCHKOV, Minister of the Russian Federation for Civil Defense, Emergencies and Elimination of Consequences of Natural Disasters, delivered the Opening Statement.
- 6. Mr. Sergey GONCHARENKO, Deputy Director of Department of Economic Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation and Chairman of the BSEC Committee of Senior Officials, delivered a Welcoming Statement on behalf of H.E. Mr. Sergey LAVROV, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation and BSEC Chairman-in-Office.

- 7. H.E. Amb. Michael B. CHRISTIDES, Secretary General of the BSEC PERMIS, delivered the Opening Statement to the participants.
- 8. The Heads of Delegations delivered their statements and discussed the Agenda items.
- 9. The Draft Agenda of the Meeting was discussed and adopted. The Agenda, as adopted by the Heads of Delegations, is attached as **Annex II**.
- 10. The Heads of Delegations adopted the Joint Statement of Ministers and Heads of Emergencies and Rescue Governmental Agencies of the BSEC Member States. The text of the Joint Statement is attached as **Annex III**.
- 11. The Heads of Delegations expressed their sincere gratitude and appreciation to the Ministry of the Russian Federation for Civil Defense, Emergencies and Elimination of Consequences of Natural Disasters for the warm hospitality and excellent organization of the Meeting.
- 12. The Heads of Delegations adopted the present Report and submitted it to the 34th Meeting of the Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the BSEC Member States for consideration.