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Delegations will find in the Annex to this note the Opinion of the Committee of the Regions on the Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the adoption by the Union of the Agreement on the interpretation and application of the Energy Charter Treaty between the European Union, the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States.

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**European Committee
of the Regions**

The Secretary-General

Brussels, date of official registration
SGCab/B.2.CLIM/PN/lv - D/6914 (2024)Thérèse Blanchet
Secretary-General
Council of the European Union

Dear Secretary-General,

On behalf of the President of the European Committee of the Regions (CoR), Vasco Alves Cordeiro, I would like to thank you for your referral request to the CoR, dated 9 September 2024, regarding the following dossier:

Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the adoption by the Union of the Agreement on the interpretation and application of the Energy Charter Treaty between the European Union, the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States COM (2024) 257 final.

The CoR's Commission for the Environment, Climate Change and Energy (ENVE) decided at its meeting on 26 September 2024 not to issue an opinion on this proposal and not to include the dossier into the ongoing work of the CoR. The proposal is very targeted and mostly legal in nature. It has no regional relevance as the agreement ensures the non-applicability of Energy Charter Treaty in arbitration provisions intra-EU aiming to avoid the risk of a conflict between an international agreement and EU law in the case of intra-EU arbitration proceedings.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the CoR Commission for the Environment, Climate Change and Energy (ENVE) secretariat (enve@cor.europa.eu).

Yours sincerely,

Petr Blížkovský

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