the Principles for IEA Action on Coal over which Provincial Governments have jurisdiction. Canada recognizes that the Governing Board has generally taken into account the constitutional structures of Canada and other IEA countries with federal systems through the inclusion of footnote No. 3. The Canadian Government will of course respect this obligation, but of course there is no presumption that a consensus must inevitably be arrived at, or that a consensus reached must necessarily be satisfactory to other IEA member countries.

- The Principles for IEA Action on Coal is not a trade or international investment document; it does however have implications for these areas. Canada understands that the provisions in the Principles relating to trade and investment questions relate in all instances to two-way trade and investment flows, for both coal consuming and coal producing IEA countries.
- The IEA Coal Principles are not intended to supersede member country rights on trade and investment matters under existing international agreements. While footnote No. 6 to paragraph 25 of the Principles specifically mentions the