

Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative Azerbaijan

Azerbaijan, Baku

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Statement

of the Coalition of NGOs for "Improving Transparency in Extracting Industries" (EITI)

One of the EITI Coalition founders, former Board member Sabit Baghirov, presented a Suggestion package to overcome the crisis in the Coalition.

We hereby acknowledge Sabit Baghirov's initiative and express our gratitude.

We think that these suggestions will normalize the situation in the Coalition and will enable to prevent similar cases in future.

We, the members of EITI Coalition are in favour of accepting these suggestions as is, unconditionally. In turn, we encourage all Coalition members to adopt these suggestions unconditionally, as is.

Coalition Board members:

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Meeting of EITI NGO Coalition Board was held

The ordinary meeting of the Board of the NGO Coalition for the Extractive Industry Transparency Initiative (EITI) was held today. The meeting discussed the situation in the Coalition, the status of Azerbaijan before the next meeting of the International Secretariat of EITI from 8-9 March 2017 in Bogota, Colombia, election of members of the multilateral group on EITI and current issues.

The Coalition Board spoke in favour of the unconditional adoption of the suggestion package submitted by the former member of the Coalition Board Sabit Baghirov on elimination of crisis in the Coalition. The relevant Statement was adopted. The Statement is enclosed.

The meeting adopted the letter to the International Secretariat of EITI to restore the status of Azerbaijan in EITI as a full member. The letter noted some positive steps taken by Azerbaijan to implement the Corrective Action Plan and Actions requested at the Astana meeting and also requested to restore the status of our country to full membership.

The meeting discussed the situation around the representation of the multilateral group on EITI and adopted appropriate decisions.

At the same time, the meeting discussed the start of negotiations on General Assembly of the Coalition.

It was decided to review the request on the membership status in the Coalition at the next meeting.

The member of the Coalition Board, Alimammad Nuriyev, reported on the steps taken for resolution of the problems of Coalition members and the civil society.