## **PROTOCOL**

## of the Meeting of the Leadership of the Republic of Moldova and Pridnestrovie

May 24, 1997

The leadership of the Republic of Moldova and Pridnestrovie based on the need for a speedy implementation of the Memorandum of May 8, 1997, agreed as follows:

- 1. All articles of the Memorandum came into force upon its signature.
- 2. To begin to develop mechanisms for implementation of those provisions of the Memorandum, which require such mechanisms.
- 3. To create committees of the Parties for coordination and maintenance of the negotiation process, the implementation of the Article 2 of the Memorandum. Commissions shall commence their work on June 4, 1997.

In their activity, Commissions shall closely collaborate with representatives of the guarantor countries and mediators and consider their views.

4. In the near future, to form working groups for elaboration of draft agreements on the following lines:

foreign economic activity; interaction of customs services; education; combating crime.

- 5. Create working groups of the Parties to develop proposals on the mechanism of guarantees envisaged in the Memorandum and submit for consideration to countries-guarantors.
- 6. Before relevant agreements are enacted, all emerging problems shall be solved on the operating level.

From the Republic of Moldova (signed)

From Pridnestrovie (signed)