PROTOCOL

of the Meeting of the Leaders of the Republic of Moldova and Pridnestrovie

May 16, 2001 Tiraspol

I. On cooperation in the energy complex

- 1. We hereby state, that Government of the Republic of Moldova has not fulfilled the protocol decisions of the meeting of the delegations of the Republic of Moldova and Pridnestrovie of May 4, 2000 and the protocol of the meeting of the delegations of May 16, 2000, endorsed by Presidents I.N.Smirnov and P.K.Luchinsky, namely:
- the work of the joint working group on the settlement of mutual debts between economic agents of the Republic of Moldova and Pridnestrovie has been stopped;
- the indebtedness of the economic agents of the Republic of Moldova towards Moldavian Power Plant MGRES hasn't been documented by means of mutual checking lists;
- the \$10 million part of the debt towards Open Stock Company "Gazprom" as debt reduction of State Enterprise GP "Moldtranselektro" towards Moldavian Power Plant MGRES has not been paid up.
- 2. The joint working Group on settling the mutual debts of the economic agents (A.I.Blashku and I.I.Leshanu) is hereby to examine before July 1, 2001 and file proper documents as to indebtedness of the economic agents of the Republic of Moldova towards MGRES for electricity with taking into account penalties.
- 3. The Government of the Republic of Moldova is herewith to solve the issue of paying up the \$10 million part of the debt towards Open Stock Company "Gazprom" as reduction of indebtedness of the economic agents of the Republic of Moldova towards MGRES.
- 4. The Government of the Republic of Moldova is herewith to propose to the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova as to documenting the indebtedness of the economic agents of the Republic of Moldova as state debt towards Pridnestrovie.
- 5. The Moldovan side of the joint working Group is to submit the Governments of the Republic of Moldova and Pridnestrovie before June 15, 2001 the schedule of paying up the indebtedness for electricity towards MGRES implying by this paying up the debt during 2001.

II. On settlement of mutual debts of the economic agents of the Republic of Moldova and Pridnestrovie

The joint working Group on settling the mutual debts of the economic agents of the

Republic of Moldova and Pridnestrovie (A.I.Blashku and I.I.Leshanu) is hereby to examine before July 1, 2001 the issues of paying up the indebtedness of the economic agents of the Republic of Moldova and Pridnestrovie towards the economic agents of the Sides for the consumed gas, water and cleaned sewage waste, for electronic and postal telecommunications, transit of nuclear fuel (waste) via territory of Pridnestrovie and to propose the agreed by both Sides schedule of paying up the debts which here implies their paying up before the end of 2001.

III. On cooperation of Trade and Commerce Chambers of the Republic of Moldova and Pridnestrovie

Before June 15, 2001 the Sides (A.M.Kuku, E.E.Chernenko) are hereby to propose an agreed Protocol decision draft on the cooperation of Trade and Commerce Chambers of the Republic of Moldova and Pridnestrovie

IV. On cooperation in the field of post and telecommunications

Before June 15, 2001 the Sides (I.Nasaroi and B.Akulov) are hereby to propose an agreed Protocol decision draft on the cooperation in the field of post and telecommunications.

V. On compensating for the damage to Pridnestrovie during the armed conflict of 1992

The Sides commission hereby the appropriate state organs to examine and propose an agreed draft before June 15, 2001.

VI. On cooperation of the National Bank of Moldova and Pridnestrovian Republican Bank

The Sides herewith commission the National Bank of Moldova and Pridnestrovian Republican Bank to examine and propose an agreed draft on cooperation before June 15, 2001.

For Pridnestrovie (signed) I.N.SMIRNOV

For the Republic of Moldova (signed) V. VORONIN