Article 17

All disputes related to interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement shall be resolved by the Parties by means of consultations and negotiations.

Article 18

This Agreement becomes effective upon receipt of the last written notice of completion of all intra-state procedures required for the enforcement of this Agreement and shall remain in force until either of the Parties should notify the other Party with a six-month advance written notice of its desire to terminate this Agreement.

Concluded in the City of Astana, on September 2, 1999 in two original copies, each in Armenian, Kazakh, and Russian languages, with all texts equally valid.

The Parties shall use the Russian language text as a guide to resolving any misunderstandings between the Parties regarding the interpretation, application, and execution of this Agreement.

The Agreement is effective as of December 25, 2001.