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## Decrees of the RK Government

Decree No. 889 of the RK Government, On Certain Issues of Licensing and Carrying out of Ecological Audit Activities, dated August 23, 2004

[Note: the Decree has approved the qualification requirements to licensing of the ecological audit activities and the rules for licensing and carrying out such activities];

Decree No. 909 of the RK Government, On Approval of the Qualification Requirements and Criteria for Appointment of Intercity and/or International Communication Operator, dated August 27, 2004;

Decree No. 925 of the RK Government, On Measures of Early Termination of the Exclusive Right of Kazakhtelecom Joint-Stock Company to Provide Services of Intercity and International Telephone Communication, dated September 2, 2004;

Decree No. 930 of the RK Government as of September 3, 2004, On Signing the Protocol to the Frame Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Government of the People's Republic of China on Development of Comprehensive Co-operation in the Oil and Gas Sector, dated May 17, 2004.

[Note: the Protocol amends the Frame Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Government of the People's Republic of China on Development of the Comprehensive Co-operation in the Oil and Gas Sector].

## **Acts of the RK Ministries and Departments**

Order No. 172-ï of the RK Agency for Informatization and Communication, On Approval of the Rules for Carrying out Inspections of Business Entities that Operate in the Field of Communication, dated August 31, 2004

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## Kazakhstan's Offshore Operations PSA draft law

Kazakhstan is currently ready to submit the Offshore Operations Production Sharing Agreement draft law to parliament. Separate provisions of this draft law have been recently discussed in parliament.

After a recent parliamentary meeting, Daniyal Akhmetov instructed concerned ministries and departments to introduce all relevant comments made at the meeting into the draft law, and to submit the document to parliament, read a press release.

According to the press release, Akhmetov indicated that the draft law complies â with modern standards and takes into account the changed reality in the oil and gas sector. Speaking regarding the clause in the document concerning the stability of contracts signed with investors, the PM underscored that this item is extremely important, in that it guarantees the observance of earlier achieved agreements, the press release pointed out.

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