State Energy Leading Group Office formally set up

According to a report of the China News Service, the State Energy Leading Group Office was formally set up on June 2, head of the office is assumed concurrently by Ma Kai, minister of the National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC).

The State Energy Leading Group Office is housed in the National Development and Reform Commission to take charge of the routine work of the State Energy Leading Group.

The office's work includes: Supervising implementation of the decision of the leading group; getting to know the energy security condition, forecasting and giving early warning about the overall energy situation and major issues, offering counter-measures and proposals to the leading group; organizing relevant departments to study energy-related strategies and plans; studying major policies concerning the development and saving of energy, energy security and emergency measures and energy-related cooperation with foreign countries; and undertaking other matters entrusted by the State Council and the leading group.

As a high-level council and coordination institution in charge of China's current energy work, the post of the State Energy Leading Group leader is assumed by <u>Wen Jiabao</u>, and its deputy leaders by senior officials, Vice-Premiers <u>Huang Ju</u> and <u>Zeng Peiyan</u>, members of the leading group include NDRC Miniser Ma Kai, Foreign Minister <u>Li Zhaoxing</u>, Finance Minister Jin Renging and Commerce Minister Bo Xilai.

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