

## MINUTES

### **of the Third Meeting of the Expert Group (2) of the Coordination Council of the International "North South" Transport Corridor on documentations , customs matters and other issues 1-3, December, 2003, Astrakhan**

In keeping with Minutes of the Second Meeting of the Coordination Council of the International "North-South" Transport Corridor the Third Meeting of the Expert Group on documentations , customs matters and other issues was held in December, 1-3, 2003 in the city of Astrakhan.

The list of participants is attached.

#### **1. Statements by the Participating States on the work implemented within the frames of the development of the International "North-South" Transport Corridor.**

The Parties exchanged information on the work implemented within the frame work of the development of the International "North-South" Transport Corridor and it was considered rational to resume the realization of the activities within the frames of national action plans on the perfection and the development of the transport corridor.

#### **2. Implementation of the decision taken in the Second Meeting of the Expert Groups of the Coordination Council of the International "North-South" Transport Corridor (26-27, April, 2003, Tehran).**

The Expert Group reviewed and noted the progress made in the implementation of the Minutes of the Second Meeting of the Expert Group on documentation, customs matters and other issues of the Coordination Council of the International "North-South" Transport Corridor (26-27, April, 2003, Tehran).

#### **3. Preparation of national action plans for the development of the International "North-South" Transport Corridor. Presentation of the project of the Russian action plan for the States recently annexed to the Agreement (Republic of Belarus, Republic of Kazakhstan).**

The Parties felt that there is a need to develop national plans for effective development of the International "North-South" Transport Corridor. Such plans should include the list of specific activities to be carried out along with the timeframes and executing agencies.

#### **4. Recommendation for using documents FIATA by the participating States.**

In course of the Meeting, possibility of using documents and forms of International Federation of Freight-Forwarders Associations (FIATA) as a transit document was discussed. The Parties agreed to examine the matter further with a view to simplify the documentation work.

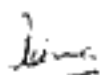
#### **5. Creation of Web-site of the North-South Transport Corridor for more effective cooperation and exchange of information among member-countries of the Agreement.**

Expert group recommended the need for developing of web-site in the English language of the International "North-South" Transport Corridor for more effective coordination and exchange of information among Member States.

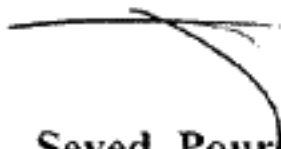
**6. Participation of Trade Representatives of India, Iran, Kazakhstan and Russia in the process of data exchange in goods flow.**

It was felt that good offices of Trade Representatives of Member States be utilized for regular exchange of data in respect of goods using the International "North-South" Transport Corridor.

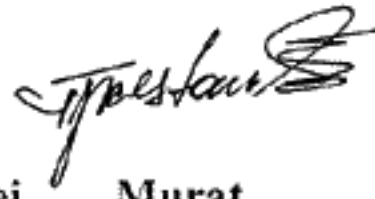
The Expert Group decides to make above recommendations to the Coordination Council.



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**of the “North-South” International Transport Corridor**  
**on documentation, customs and other matters**  
**1-2, December, 2003, Astrakhan**

**The delegation of the Republic of India**

1. Mr S.S. Rana – First Secretary (Trade) of the Embassy of the Republic of India in Moscow

**The delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran**

1. Mr Seyed Ahmad Pourkiani – General Director on transit control of the Customs Service of Iran
2. Mrs Seyedeh Fatemeh Moghimi – Board member of International Federation of Freight forwarders Associations of Iran
3. Mr Abaei Mohammad Reza – Deputy Director of the Transit Department of the Customs Service of Iran

**The delegation of the Republic of Kazakhstan**

1. Mr Rakhmetolla Kudaibergenov – Senior Specialist of the Department of Container Transportations Development of the Closed-Joint Stock National Company “Kazakhstan Temir Zholi”

**The delegation of the Russian Federation**

1. Mrs Marina Kuzmenko – Representative of the Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of the Russian Federation (Head of the group)
2. Mr. Boris Sitkov – head of the unit of complex transport problems of the Department of foreign relations of Ministry of Railroads of the Russian Federation
3. Mr Sergey Lvov – Commercial Director of the group of companies “VAGNA”
4. Mr Alexey Sandrikov – Representative of the Frontier Guard of the Federal Security Service of the Russian Federation
5. Mr Mikhail Polyakov – Municipality of the city of Volzhskiy of the Volgograd Region, Head of the Transport Department
6. Mr Oleg Shadrin – Deputy General Director of the JSC “Astrakhan port”
7. Mr Igor Maslov – Deputy General Director of “Volgogradvneshtans” Ltd.
8. Mr Vasily Ponomarev – Deputy Head of the Astrakhan Regional Branch of “Rostransinspektsiya”
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