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# REPORT OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE BLACK SEA RING HIGHWAY

### **Fourth Meeting**

### Istanbul, 1 October 2010

- 1. The Fourth Meeting of the Steering Committee (SC) on the Development of the Black Sea Ring Highway (BSRH) was held in Istanbul, on 1 October 2010.
- 2. The Meeting was chaired by Mr. Sergei POTAPOV, Acting Deputy Head of the Federal Highway Agency of the Ministry of Transport of the Russian Federation.
- 3. The Meeting was attended by the representatives of the following Members of the Steering Committee of the BSRH:

Republic of Armenia Republic of Azerbaijan Republic of Moldova Romania Russian Federation Republic of Serbia Republic of Turkey Ukraine

4. The representatives of BSEC PERMIS and BSTDB also attended the meeting.

The list of participants is attached as Annex I.

### AGENDA ITEM 1: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

5. The Draft Agenda of the meeting was discussed and adopted. The Draft Agenda is attached as Annex II.

#### AGENDA ITEM 2: PRESIDENCY OF THE BSRH STEERING COMMITTEE

6. The Steering Committee took note that in accordance with its Rules of Procedure and principle of rotation, the Chairmanship and Vice-Chairmanship in the Steering Committee will be passed respectively to the Republic of Bulgaria and Ukraine, as from 1 November 2010 for a two year term.

# AGENDA ITEM 3: APPOINTMENT OF PENDING NATIONAL COORDINATORS

- 7. The Steering Committee noted that the following countries appointed their national coordinators: the Hellenic Republic, the Republic of Turkey and Ukraine. The Delegation of the Russian Federation informed during the meeting about the renomination of their national coordinator.
- 8. The Steering Committee requested the other countries which have not yet done so, to inform the JPTS about the nomination of their national coordinators. At the same time, it was noted that in some countries there is a practice of nomination by the Government of a National Coordinating Body which in its turn has a right to appoint a national coordinator. Such practice would be useful in other countries in order to resolve the issue of the nomination of a national coordinator promptly.

## AGENDA ITEM 4: ELABORATION OF THE MAIN ROUTE OF THE BSRH AND ITS CONNECTIONS

- 9. The Member States gave their positions about the main BSRH route passing through their territories. The positions are reflected in the map attached as Annex III.
- 10. The Presidency has called upon the Member States to decide upon the final option of the main route going through their territories and present to the JPTS the final version of their proposals to be discussed at the next meeting.

#### AGENDA ITEM 5: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

11. No issue was raised under this agenda item.

### AGENDA ITEM 6: DATE AND VENUE OF THE NEXT MEETING

12. The exact date and venue of the next Meeting of the Steering Committee should be determined proceeding from the realization of the decisions of the present meeting. The Parties were invited to send to JPTS the proposals regarding the agenda of the next meeting.

### **EXPRESSION OF THANKS**

13. The Steering Committee expressed its gratitude to JPTS BRSH for the good organization of the meeting.

### AGENDA ITEM 7: ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE MEETING

14. The Steering Committee approved the above report and requested the JPTS to circulate it to all the Parties involved.

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