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**REPORT OF THE
MEETING OF THE MINISTERS OF TRANSPORT
OF THE BSEC MEMBER STATES**

Sochi, Russian Federation, 30 March 2001

1. The Meeting of the Ministers of Transport of the Organization of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation was held on 30 March 2001 in Sochi, the Russian Federation.
 2. The Meeting was chaired by Mr. Vitaliy ARTIUKHOV, First Deputy Minister of Transport of the Russian Federation.
 3. The Meeting was attended by the following Member States of the BSEC:
 - Republic of Albania
 - Republic of Armenia
 - Republic of Azerbaijan
 - Republic of Bulgaria
 - Georgia
 - Republic of Moldova
 - Romania
 - Russian Federation
 - Republic of Turkey
 - Ukraine
 4. The representatives of the Republic of Poland attended the Meeting as Observers.
 5. The Meeting was also attended by the representatives of the BSEC Parliamentary Assembly (PABSEC) in the capacity of the BSEC Related Body.
 6. The representatives of the Black Sea Region Association of Shipbuilders and Shiprepairers (BRASS) attended the Meeting as organization having sectoral dialogue partnership status in the BSEC.
 7. Representatives of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UN/ECE), Krasnodar region authorities and business circles also participated in the Meeting.
- The list of official delegations is attached as Annex I.
8. The draft agenda of the Meeting was discussed and adopted. The agenda, as adopted, is attached as Annex II.

9. The Meeting was opened by the address of Mr. V. ARTIUKHOV, First Deputy Minister of Transport of the Russian Federation. The text of the statement is attached as Annex III.

10. Welcome addresses were delivered by the representatives of the Administration of the President, State Duma and the Administration of the Krasnodar Region of the Russian Federation.

11. These were followed by the statement of the Secretary General of the BSEC Permanent International Secretariat.

GENERAL STATEMENTS

12. The Heads of Delegations made statements on the current situation in the transport field in their countries and in the BSEC region as a whole and underlined the importance of continuing and strengthening cooperation in this field. They reiterated commitments of their states to the principles and goals set out in the final documents of the major transport conferences related to the BSEC region.

13. The participants emphasized the necessity to enhance cooperation in the transport field with the BSEC Related Bodies and relevant international organizations and NGOs.

The Ministers took note of the address of the BRASS, BINSAs and UKRSUDPROM to the Ministers of Transport of the BSEC Member States, attached as Annex IV.

14. The texts of the general statements of the Heads of Delegations as well as the representatives of Observers and Guests including on the issue of cooperation with the BSEC Related Bodies and relevant international organizations and NGOs are attached as Annex V.

TRANSPORT ACTION PLAN FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF THE BLACK SEA ECONOMIC COOPERATION

15. The Ministers adopted the Transport Action Plan for the Organization of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation with amendment mentioned in the Joint Statement. The text of the Action Plan is attached as Annex VI.

JOINT STATEMENT OF THE MINISTERS OF TRANSPORT

16. The Joint Statement of the Ministers of Transport of the BSEC Member States was adopted. The text of the statement is attached as Annex VII.

EXPRESSION OF THANKS

17. The delegations expressed their sincere gratitude to the Government of the Russian Federation and the Krasnodar Region authorities for the hospitality extended to them and for the excellent arrangements made for this Meeting.

DATE AND VENUE OF THE NEXT MEETING

18. The Ministers agreed that the date and venue of the next meeting would be communicated to the Member States through the BSEC PERMIS.

ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

19. This Report was adopted by the Ministers of Transport for the Submission to the Meeting of the Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the BSEC Member States.
