### Protocol

# of the Joint Committee Meeting on Road Transport between Turkey and Bosnia and Herzegovina

In accordance with the International Road Transport Agreement signed between Turkey and Bosnia and Herzegovina on 21<sup>st</sup> January 1998, Joint Committee Meeting on Road Transport between Turkey and Bosnia and Herzegovina was held on 9<sup>st</sup> September in Mostar and on 10<sup>nd</sup> September 2014 in Sarajevo.

The Delegations are listed in the appendix.

The Delegations discussed the issues concerning transport of goods and passengers by road between two countries based on the following items of the agenda:

- 1-Exchange of statistical information,
- 2- Goods transport,
- 3- Passenger transport,
- 4-Other issues

#### 1- Exchange of Statistical Information

The Delegations exchanged statistical information regarding the trade volume and current situation of road transport between two countries.

Both Delegations agreed that a significant increase in export and import was registered, which was confirmed by data for the first six months this year provided by both sides.

The Delegations confirmed the compliance of statistical information with each other and expressed their satisfaction over the increasing trade and transport operations between the two countries.

The Delegations agreed to deploy necessary efforts in order to remove any remaining barriers to further increase trade volume between two countries.

#### 2- Goods Transport

The Delegation of Bosnia and Herzegovina stated that the permit regime for transport of goods is a limitation, and therefore, proposed to the others side introduction of full liberalization in terms of goods transport permits for third countries and permits for empty vehicle entrance.

The Turkish Delegation informed of the permit system in their country stating that full liberalization would not be possible according to their national legislation. The Delegation gave their statistical information on the use of the exchanged third countries permits for the years 2010. to 2014. respectively.

Due to an increase in demand, the two Delegations established the quota of the goods transport permits for the year 2015 as follows:

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200 permits for transport operations to/from third countries 75 permits for unloaded entrance/full return

The permits shall be valid until 31st January of the following year.

The Delegations agreed that any demand for additional permits in the course of the year will be evaluated in goodwill.

### 3- Passenger Transport

The Delegations exchanged information concerning passenger transport between two countries and expressed with satisfaction that passenger transport operations are carried out without any problem. The Delegation of Bosnia and Herzegovina informed the Delegation of the Republic of Turkey that for a carrier to be able to enter Bosnia and Herzegovina, they will be required to have a passenger waybill for closed-door tours. The Turkish Delegation will inform the interested parties in their country thereof.

On the question of the Delegation of Bosnia and Herzegovina on the possibility to open trilateral bus services, the Turkish Delegation explained that according to their national legislation this is not possible.

The Delegations also noted the importance of sustaining current cooperation in order to further develop passenger transport by road between two countries.

#### 4- Other Issues

The Delegation of Bosnia and Herzegovina informed of a few cases where Bosnian carriers were demanded by the competent Turkish authorities to possess permits when exiting Turkey with empty vehicle. The Turkish Delegation replied that no such requirement exists in their national legislation.

The two Delegations discussed and finalized the English version of the Draft Agreement on International Transport of Passengers and Goods by Road. The agreed Draft is attached to this Protocol.

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The meeting took place in a warm and friendly atmosphere. Both Delegations expressed their satisfaction over the result.

The Turkish Delegation invited Bosnia and Herzegovina for the next Joint Committee Meeting to be held in Turkey. The exact date and venue of the meeting will be determined through diplomatic channels.

Done in Sarajevo on 10<sup>nd</sup> September 2014 in two original copies in the English language

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