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 21st January 1998, Joint Committee Meeting on Road Transport between Turkey and Bosnia and Herzegovina was held on 1st -2nd October 2013 in Ankara.

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.

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 further increase trade volume between two countries.

2- Goods Transport

The Delegations agreed to cooperate in order to further develop trade and facilitate goods transport between two countries.

The Delegations confirmed once more that bilateral and transit transport operations are liberalized and established the quota of the goods transport for the year 2014 as follows:

125 permits for transport operations to/from third countries

50 permits for unloaded entrance/full return

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

Both Delegations agreed that the permits shall be valid until 31st January of the following year.

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.

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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

Bosnia and Herzegovina Delegation provided information on the problems faced within the territories of Republic of Turkey in terms of permit control system and asked for explanation from the Turkish Delegation.

The Turkish Delegation provided the necessary information in detail on the permit control system as follows;

- All the foreign vehicles should hold appropriate bilateral, transit or 3rd country permits or ECMT/CEMT licenses depending on the type of the transport.
- TIR carnet, CMR, invoice and customs declaration for export are considered by Turkish side in order to determine type of the transport. It is required that in all these documents, country of departure and arrival should be the same. In case that a different country is stated in any of these four documents, such transport operation shall be deemed as third country transport operation.
- In case that the transport operation is deemed as a third country transport operation, a 3rd country permit or an ECMT/CEMT license should be presented. If such permits are not presented, a passage fee shall be collected for the transport operation.

Bosnia and Herzegovina Delegation stated that they will inform the transport companies in Bosnia and Herzegovina concerning these explanations.

Bosnia and Herzegovina Delegation noted that 550 liter fuel oil restriction, which is applied during entry to Turkey, is not in accordance with Article 18 of the Bilateral Road Transport Agreement.

The Turkish Delegation explained that this restriction is applied to all vehicles, including Turkish vehicles, in order to prevent fuel oil smuggling.

Upon the request of the Bosnia and Herzegovina Delegation, the Turkish Delegation explained the issues concerning "Communiqué no 68", which started to be implemented in Turkey as of 1st September 2013. According to this application; 3.000 Euro passage fee is charged for transport operations without permit, with forged permits (including ECMT) or without authorization of the Ministry. In case of 3rd country transport operations carried out without a proper permit (including ECMT), the mentioned passage fee will be also collected if a valid permit is not presented to control authorities during the transaction. The Turkish Delegation requested the Bosnia and Herzegovina Delegation to inform its hauliers accordingly.

The Delegations exchanged contact information of the "contact persons" who were assigned in order to solve the problems immediately.

The Delegations agreed that fees stated in Article 5/b of the Agreement will not be received on the basis of reciprocity.

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The Delegations agreed to amend the current Bilateral Road Transport Agreement taking into account the current developments. The Turkish Delegation will send its proposals for the Draft Amendment to the Agreement to the Bosnia and Herzegovina through diplomatic channels.

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

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

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