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ASSISTANCE TO COUNTRIES IN TRANSITION**

Note by the secretariat

The Inland Transport Committee, during its sixty-first session (8-11 February 1999) discussed, inter alia, questions related to assistance to countries in transition and considered the list of "activities for assistance to countries in transition regarding institutional adaptation of Government administration and of transport enterprises to market economy" circulated in appendix 1 to the draft Programme of Work (TRANS/1999/3). In this connection, the Committee decided that (i) the list be revised to indicate separately the subjects for which workshops are being prepared from those which are expected to be held in the future, and (ii) that the list be taken out of its programme of work and be distributed in a separate document (ECE/TRANS/128, paras. 22-24).

The revised list of subjects, as decided upon by the Committee, is reproduced below.

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Subjects for assistance to countries in transition regarding
institutional adaptation of Government administration and
of transport enterprises to market economy

Subjects for which workshops are under preparation

Exchange of experiences on the programming of infrastructures and the dissemination of methods of programming in central and eastern European countries. (France, Germany, (1999))

Subjects for which workshops are to be prepared in the future

- (i) Strategic planning of transport development.
- (ii) Instruments of transport infrastructure planning.
- (iii) Improvements in statistics and statistical techniques in transport for countries in transition.
- (iv) Drafting and expert assessment of new mode specific transport legislation including environment and safety (short-term expert studies and workshops).
- (v) State regulation and control in market economy - the role of the Ministry of Transport (workshops). (Russian Federation)
- (vi) International transport facilitation for road, rail and inland water transport (i.e. TIR, customs facilitation, border crossing operations) (seminar/workshop).
- (vii) Road funds and road user charges (studies/workshops).
- (viii) Pricing and costing of national and international railway operations.
- (ix) Possibilities and techniques to finance railway investment in countries in transition.
- (x) Improvements in railway management through separation of rail infrastructure from rail operations.
- (xi) Requirements for the improvement of railways' competitiveness. (Poland)

- (xii) Administrative and technical difficulties encountered at border crossing in international rail traffic.
 - (xiii) International cooperation between railway companies to introduce competitive international rail transport.
 - (xiv) Problems concerning the organization of a unified inland navigation market in Europe. (Austria)
 - (xv) Modernization of inland waterways' infrastructure and improvement of port operations as a way of integrating countries in transition into the all-European inland navigation market. (Romania)
 - (xvi) Multimodal transport. (Russian Federation)
 - (xvii) Transport and the environment. (Russian Federation)
 - (xviii) Transport of dangerous goods and perishable foodstuffs by mode (seminar/workshop).
 - (xix) Strengthen transport management training within the TEM and TER projects and expand the list of participants to such training to new ECE member States (pending approval by the respective project bodies).
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