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**INVENTORY OF MAIN STANDARDS AND PARAMETERS OF  
THE E WATERWAY NETWORK "BLUE BOOK"**

Note by the secretariat

At its forty-second session, the Working Party agreed to proceed with the establishment of an inventory of priority projects aimed at the completion of missing links and elimination of bottlenecks in the E waterway network, impeding international transport by inland waterways. To this end Governments were invited to submit to the secretariat information regarding the order of prioritization and, where possible, the expected time of implementation of projects relating to their E waterways, as mentioned in section 3 of the "blue book" (TRANS/SC.3/146, paras. 15 and 16).

The secretariat reproduces below a summary of comments received from Governments on this matter.

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**Austria**

No information has been received from the Government of Austria.

**Belarus**

No information has been received from the Government of Belarus.

**Belgium**

No information has been received from the Government of Belgium.

**Croatia**

No information has been received from the Government of Croatia.

**Czech Republic**

No information has been received from the Government of the Czech Republic.

**Finland**

No information has been received from the Government of Finland.

**France**

1. Seine - Moselle (Seine-Est) Link (E 80).

A study is under way on the realization of this project. The results of the study are expected to be available in the course of 1999.

2. Seine - Escaut (Seine-Nord) Link (E 05).

A study is under way on the realization of this project. The results of the study are expected to be available in the course of 1999.

3. Dunkerque - Escaut link and Escaut (E 01) up to Condé.

A study is under way on upgrading the height under bridges.

**Germany**

No information has been received from the Government of Germany.

**Hungary**

No information has been received from the Government of Hungary.

**Lithuania**

The resources allocated from the State budget for the maintenance of inland waterways are not enough for the implementation of large investment projects. They are enough, however, for the steady river-bed regulation works and effective cleaning of the river bed.

**Luxembourg**

The works on upgrading the maximum draught on the River Moselle (E 80) from 2.50 m to 2.80 m have been completed.

**Netherlands**

No information has been received from the Government of the Netherlands.

**Poland**

No information has been received from the Government of Poland.

**Republic of Moldova**

No information has been received from the Government of the Republic of Moldova.

**Romania**

No information has been received from the Government of Romania.

**Russian Federation**

No information has been received from the Government of the Russian Federation.

**Slovakia**

No information has been received from the Government of Slovakia.

**Ukraine**

1. The upgrading from class III to class Vb of the River Dnestr (E 90-03) from Belgorod Dnestrovsky to Ukraine/Moldova border.

The date for the commencement of this project has not yet been set up due to the lack of resources.

**Yugoslavia**

No information has been received from the Government of Yugoslavia.

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