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Chisinau, 3 October 2012

22nd MEETING OF THE BSEC-URTA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Conference Hall, Vatra-Elita Hotel
Chisinau- Moldova
Wednesday, 3 October 2012, at 09:00 hrs

DECISIONS

At its 22nd Meeting, held in Chisinau on 3 October 2012, the BSEC-URTA General Assembly

1. Thanked the First Deputy Secretary General of BSEC Organizations, H.E. Ambassador Ahmet Erozan, the Director of UNDP International Center for Private Sector in Development in Istanbul, Mrs. Simona Marinescu and the IRU Undersecretary General Mr. Igor Rounov for their high level participation and invaluable contributions in the General Assembly,
2. Adopted the Agenda (G3469/Corr.2) and approved the Minutes of its 21st Meeting (G3470).
3. Thanked Mr. Petru Nichiciuc, Director for Road Transport Policies, Ministry of Transport and Road Infrastructure of Moldova for his comprehensive presentation on the road transport system in Moldova.
4. Took note of the verbal report of the BSEC-URTA Management Council.
5. Noted the updated BSEC-URTA Regional Outlook Report (G3471). Observed that in 2012-I compared with 2011-I, the total road transport operations increased from 1,955,310 to 1,989,519 (1.8%), the volume of trade within the BSEC increased by 13,2 % and the total BSEC foreign trade rose by 10,4 %.
6. Noted the Activity Report on the BSEC-URTA Priorities in 2012 with appreciation and agreed upon the future actions in the relevant working document (G3472).
7. Noted and welcomed the information by AsMAP UA about its positive consideration for Ukraine to join the BSEC Permit project in the future. Also noted that the competent Ukrainian authorities don't see any practical benefit of participating in the BSEC Agreement on Simplification of Visa Procedures for Professional Drivers Nationals of BSEC Member States.
8. Welcomed the partnership with the UNDP, IRU and BSEC for implementation of a new BSEC Pilot Project on early introduction of the UNECE International Vehicle Weight Certificate in the BSEC region, and supported the launch of this Pilot Project on the occasion of the Meeting of Ministers of Transport of BSEC Member States in Izmir, Turkey on 28 November 2012.
9. Reviewed the vision, mission and strategic objectives of the BSEC-URTA and decided to include among its Strategic Objectives the following new title 2: "Transport Infrastructure Development", where the BSEC-URTA targets "to work together with the BSEC, its Related Bodies, the IRU and Governments to promote development of road transport main and auxiliary infrastructure of the BSEC Region in compliance with the Model Highway Initiative (MHI) principles and in public-private partnership, where possible, including but not limited with the modernization of border crossing points, establishment of joint border controls and implementation of key UN trade and transport facilitations conventions". Adopted the BSEC-URTA Working Programme for 2013 with the abovementioned changes (G3474).
10. Took note of the readiness expressed by the TOBB to support the implementation of abovementioned new Strategic Objective at the highest governmental level in Turkey.
11. Thanked Mr. Sergey Taran, Director of CIPTI (AITA Training Center) for the presentation made on behalf of the IRU Academy, and noted the information provided on ITF Quality Charter. Invited the Member Associations to contact urgently their relevant competent authorities and invite them to participate actively in the ITF Road Transport Group Work on the future Quality Charter, to be adopted by ITF Ministers in May 2013.
12. Thanked Mr. Oleg Kamberski, Head Passenger and Taxis, IRU for the presentation made on the "Smart Move" Programme and the OmniBus Agreement. Noted and supported his proposals to consider the

possibility of regularly addressing in the future passenger transport issues within its work programme, and the usefulness of proposing the creating of a BSEC-URTA public-private Smart Move High Level Groups to work out a vision and concrete recommendations on how to facilitate passenger transport by bus and coach in the region in short-medium and long term.

13. Noted that the Association of Macedonian Enterprises for Road International Transport (AMERIT) applied for the status of BSEC-URTA Observer and the Management Council has postponed the evaluation of this application to its next Meeting. Also noted the statement of the OFAE that the country of AMERIT, if granted an Observer status in the future, must read according to the international practice and the UN rules as "Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (FYROM)".
14. Adopted the BSEC-URTA Budget for 2011 (G3475).
15. Amended the BSEC-URTA Statutes by adopting a new Article 14 as follows:-

new Article 14 – Audit

At its spring session, the BSEC-URTA General Assembly shall elect three Auditors out of its members with the term of office of two years. The Auditors shall conduct internal audit of implementation of the BSEC-URTA budgets in the current and next financial year after election.

Auditors will be elected with at least 2/3 majority of the BSEC-URTA Member Associations.

The Auditors shall visit the BSEC-URTA International Secretariat in February to make a site audit of the BSEC-URTA accounts, accounting records and expense documentation relating with the previous financial year.

The Report of Auditors will be submitted to the forthcoming Meeting of the BSEC-URTA General Assembly.

Should the General Assembly decide, an external audit can be conducted in conformity with the international standards.

16. Amended the BSEC-URTA Financial Regulations Section IX Audit, Article 1, as follows:-

Section IX Audit



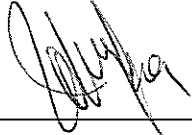
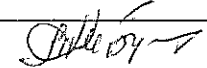
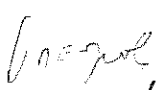
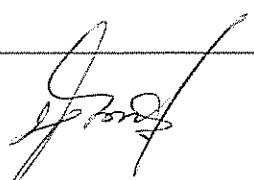
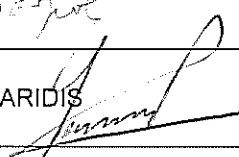

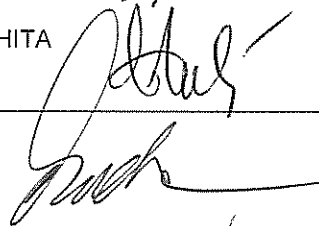



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17. Mandated the International Secretariat to present to the competent Turkish authorities, a copy of the BSEC-URTA Statutes as amended and duly signed by the representatives of BSEC-URTA Member Associations on the occasion of the 22nd Meeting of the BSEC-URTA General Assembly in Chisinau on 3 October 2012.
18. Elected Mr. Vladimir Florea (AITA) as its President for 2013-2014 by majority of votes, and Mr. Cahit Soysal (UND) and Mr. Herbert Hambarzumyan (AIRCA) as the BSEC-URTA Vice-Presidents for 2013, unanimously.
19. Upon nomination by the BSEC-URTA President-elect, elected Mr. Radu Dinescu (UNTRR) as the BSEC-URTA *Deputy President for 2013-2014* according to the BSEC-URTA Statutes Article 9, Paragraph 2.
20. Within the framework of the kind invitation of the AsMAP-UA, decided to hold its next meeting in Kiev on 16 May 2013.
21. Under Agenda item "Miscellaneous", considered the letter of OFAE dated on 26 September 2012, about a reported BSEC-URTA Delegation, which met various authorities of Greece without prior notification to OFAE. Understood that the subject delegation was indeed an IRU Delegation, which was also attended by Mr. Adrian Albu in his independent and personal capacity as an IRU Senior Expert. Evaluated that the letter of OFAE was therefore based on misinformation. However, taking the opportunity emphasized that it is a very important rule that the BSEC-URTA delegations shall only visit national authorities in prior coordination with the concerned BSEC-URTA Member Association(s).
22. Congratulated AITA and through AITA the Moldovan road transport operators on the occasion of the AITA's 20th Anniversary.

23. Thanked AITA for organizing the 22nd Meeting of the BSEC-URTA General Assembly and for the warm and generous hospitality extended to all participants.
24. Adopted and undersigned these Decisions of the 22nd Meeting of the BSEC-URTA General Assembly in Chisinau on 3 October 2012.

Vladimir FLOREA, BSEC-URTA President		
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