INTERMODAL TRANSPORT TRENDS IN THE REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA

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Legislation and International Agreements

- Priority of the development of intermodal transport.
- Regulation on combined transport of goods.
- AGTC, AGC, AGN, AGR.
- Bilateral Agreements on international combined transport of goods.
- Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Bulgaria establishing certain conditions for the carriage of goods by road and the promotion of combined transport.
Current State and Potential for the Development of Intermodal Transport

- Relatively inadequate statistical information - methodological problem.
- Domestic intermodal traffic.
- International intermodal traffic - import-export.
- International transit intermodal traffic.
- Synergetic effect.
Priorities and Projects

- Integrated “port-railways” transport schemes.
- Technological priorities (containers, swap-bodies, semi-trailers, Ro-La transport).
- Infrastructure priorities.
- Projects.
Big potential for long distance railway transport after:

- Construction of the Bosporus Railway Tunnel;
- Construction of the New Danube Bridge at Vidin-Calafat;
- Establishing favourable conditions that enable transport organizations to achieve a healthy growth.

Coordination in infrastructure planning between the countries.
Engagements of the Bulgarian Government towards future development of the corridor

- Construction of a New Sofia Intermodal Terminal;
- Construction of a New Danube Bridge at Vidin - Calafat;
- Electrification and Reconstruction of the Railway Line Plovdiv - Turkish/Greek Border for Speeds 160/200 km/h;
- Reconstruction and Modernization of the Railway Line Vidin-Sofia-Kulata.
Statistics

Container Transport - Import for 2003
- Maritime: 60%
- Rail: 3%
- Inland Waterways: 0%
- Road: 37%
- Air: 0%

Container Transport - Export for 2003
- Maritime: 83%
- Rail: 4%
- Inland Waterways: 0%
- Road: 13%
- Air: 0%
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