



**THIRD ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMISSION TRACECA**
Yerevan / Republic of Armenia, October 9-10, 2003

**ТРЕТЬЕ ЕЖЕГОДНОЕ ЗАСЕДАНИЕ
МЕЖПРАВИТЕЛЬСТВЕННОЙ КОМИССИИ ТРАСЕКА**
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FINAL RESOLUTIONS

TRACECA Intergovernmental Commission at the Third Annual Meeting held in Yerevan, the Republic of Armenia, in October 9-10, 2003:

- discussed items, according to the adopted Agenda (*Appendix: 3 IGC/FinDoc 2*)
- considered report of the Chairman-in-Office of the IGC TRACECA, Deputy Prime-Minister of the Republic of Uzbekistan, Mr. R. Yunusov;
- considered outcomes of implemented TRACECA projects during 2002-2003 and issues of further development of the Europe - the Caucasus - Asia international transport corridor and increasing its competitiveness;
- discussed proposals for strengthening mutual cooperation between the Parties to the Basic Agreement;
- in accordance with Article 8 (items 5, 6) of the "Basic Multilateral Agreement on International Transport for Development of the Europe-the Caucasus-Asia Corridor"

ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING DECISIONS:

1. Joint financing of the PS IGC TRACECA

Adopt the Recommendation of the IGC TRACECA to the Governments of the Parties to the Basic Multilateral Agreement on International Transport for Development of the Europe-the Caucasus-Asia Corridor on the System of joint financing of the work of the Permanent Secretariat of the IGC TRACECA (*Appendix: 3 IGC/FinDoc 3*). For the period from December 2003 - December 2004 the Parties will contribute to the financing of the Permanent Secretariat of the IGC TRACECA on equal basis i.e. EURO 7.000 (seven thousand) each. The total amount of the contribution will make 15% (i.e. EURO 84.000) of the budget of the PS IGC TRACECA.

Charge to the Permanent Secretariat of IGC TRACECA in close collaboration with the Parties to prepare the draft Resolution of IGC TRACECA on the System of joint financing to be approved at the Fourth Annual Meeting of IGC TRACECA.

2. Rules of Procedure of the IGC TRACECA and Statute of the Permanent Secretariat of the IGC TRACECA;

Adopt the Rules of Procedure of the Intergovernmental Commission TRACECA and the Statute of the Permanent Secretariat of the IGC TRACECA (*Appendix: 3 IGC/FinDoc 4 u 3 IGC/FinDoc 5*).

3. Establishment of the IGC TRACECA Working Group (Council) of the Heads of Railways, Ports and Shipping Companies;

Take into account information on successful conducting of the Joint Meeting of the representatives of UIC, Permanent Secretariat of IGC TRACECA and Heads of Railways, Ports and Shipping Companies of TRACECA countries, held in Baku, Republic of Azerbaijan, July 17-18, 2003

Approve establishment of the IGC TRACECA Working Group (Council) of Heads of Railways, Ports and Shipping Companies as a coordinating body of the main infrastructure and transport operators of TRACECA countries.

4. Protocol on Amendments to the Basic Multilateral Agreement

In accordance with the Article 11 (Presentation of Amendments and Additions) of the "Basic Multilateral Agreement on International Transport for Development of the Europe-the Caucasus-Asia Corridor" and on the basis of Final Resolutions of the Second Annual Meeting of Intergovernmental Commission TRACECA on the transport corridor Europe – the Caucasus – Asia, authorized Heads of delegations signed the Protocol on Amendments to the Basic Multilateral Agreement on International Transport for Development of the Europe-the Caucasus-Asia Corridor. (*Amendment: 3 IGC/FinDoc 6*).

5. Draft Protocol on Amendments to the Technical Annexes on International Road Transport and Customs Documentation Procedures

Adopt as a base Draft Protocol on Amendments to the Technical Annexes on International Road Transport and Customs Documentation Procedures (*Amendment: 3 IGC/FinDoc 7*)

Recommend to the Parties to agree on the Protocol in the shortest possible time for its further signing at the next Annual Meeting of IGC TRACECA.

6. Draft Protocol on Amendments to the Technical Annexes on International Road Transport

Adopt as a base the Draft Protocol on Amendments to the Technical Annexes on International Road Transport of the Basic Multilateral Agreement (*Amendment: 3 IGC/FinDoc 8*)

Recommend to the Parties to agree on the Protocol in the shortest possible time for its further signing at the next Annual Meeting of IGC TRACECA.

7. Technical Annex on Multimodal Transportations

Adopt as a base the Draft Protocol on Amendments to the Basic Multilateral Agreement (*Amendment: 3 IGC/FinDoc 9*).

Recommend to the Parties to agree on the draft Technical Annex on Multimodal Transportations in the shortest possible time (*Amendment: 3 IGC/FinDoc 10*) for further signing of the Protocol on Amendments to the Basic Multilateral Agreement at the next Annual Meeting of IGC TRACECA.

8. Technical Annex on TRACECA Investment

Adopt as a base the Draft Protocol on Amendments to the Basic Multilateral Agreement (*Amendment: 3 IGC/FinDoc 11*).

Recommend to the Parties to agree on the draft Technical Annex on TRACECA Investment (*Amendment: 3 IGC/FinDoc 12*) in the shortest possible time for further signing of the Protocol on Amendments to the Basic Multilateral Agreement at the next Annual Meeting of IGC TRACECA.

9. Draft Protocol on Amendments to the Technical Annexes on Customs Documentation Procedures

Adopt as a base the Draft Protocol on Amendments to the Technical Annexes on Customs and Documentation Procedures (*Amendment: 3 IGC/FinDoc 13*).

Recommend to the Parties to agree on draft Protocol in the shortest possible time for its further signing at the next Annual Meeting of the IGC TRACECA.

10. Authority of the Permanent Secretariat of the IGC TRACECA

Transfer to the Permanent Secretariat of the IGC TRACECA authority to sign Memorandums of Understanding with International Organizations and International Financial Institutions (IFI's) according to the PS IGC TRACECA proposal and in agreement with the Parties.

11. Secretary General of the IGC TRACECA

In accordance with Article 3.3 of the Statute of the Permanent Secretariat of the IGC TRACECA the members of the IGC elected **Lyudmila Trenkova** as the Secretary General of the PS IGC TRACECA for the term of presidency of the Republic of Armenia in the IGC.

12. Strategy of the transport corridor Europe – Caucasus – Asia development for the period 2004- 2008 and proposals to the TRACECA Action Plan 2004-2006

Adopt the draft Strategy paper of development of the transport corridor Europe – Caucasus – Asia for the period 2004-2008 (*Amendment: 3 IGC/FinDoc 14*) for further elaboration of its final version and recommend the Parties to supplement the presented proposals to the TRACECA Action Plan 2004-2006 (*Amendment: 3 IGC/FinDoc 15*) with new proposals by the end of 2003 for its further approval.

13. Next Annual Meeting of the IGC TRACECA

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure of IGC TRACECA, the Third Annual Meeting of the IGC TRACECA recommended to summon the next IGC TRACECA Annual Meeting in Baky, Republic of Azerbaijan, at the end of 2004.

14. Yerevan Declaration

Adopt Yerevan Declaration. (*Amendment: 3 IGC/FinDoc 16*)

The Final Resolutions of the IGC TRACECA have been adopted on the consensus by the Parties of the Basic Agreement at the 3rd Annual Meeting of the TRACECA Intergovernmental Commission in presence of all Parties, in Yerevan, Republic of Armenia, on October 10, 2003.