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**Inland Transport Instruments**

**European Agreement on Main International Traffic Arteries**

### **Amendments to the Agreement**

**Submitted by the Government of Türkiye**

In this document, the Government of Türkiye proposes to amend the references to the Turkish E-roads network routes that are part of E80, E90 and E87 in Annex I of AGR.

## Consideration for amendments to annex I to the AGR by Republic of Türkiye

### I. Proposal

1. Republic of Türkiye proposes that Annex I to AGR Agreement will be supplemented as follows:

Proposal for E80

Current overall reference:

Existing E 80: Lisboa - Santarem - Leiria - Coimbra - Aveiro (Albergaria) - Viseu - Guarda - Vilar - Formoso - Salamanca - Burgos - San Sebastián - Pau - Toulouse - Narbonne - Nîmes - Aix-en-Provence - Nice - Veintimiglia - Savona - Genova - La Spezia - Migliarino - Livorno - Grosseto - Civitavecchia - Roma - Pescara ... Dubrovnik - Petrovac - Podgorica - - Priština - Niš - Dimitrovgrad - Sofia - Plovdiv - Svilengrad - Edirne - Babaeski - Silivri - Istanbul - Izmir - Adapazari - Bolu - Gerede - Ilgaz - Amasya - Niksar - Refahiye - Erzincan - Askale - Erzurum - Ağrı - Gürbulak - Iran (Islamic Republic of)

Proposed overall reference:

Proposed E 80: Lisboa - Santarem - Leiria - Coimbra - Aveiro (Albergaria) - Viseu - Guarda - Vilar - Formoso - Salamanca - Burgos - San Sebastián - Pau - Toulouse - Narbonne - Nîmes - Aix-en-Provence - Nice - Veintimiglia - Savona - Genova - La Spezia - Migliarino - Livorno - Grosseto - Civitavecchia - Roma - Pescara ... Dubrovnik - Petrovac - Podgorica - - Priština - Niš - Dimitrovgrad - Sofia - Plovdiv - Svilengrad - Kapıkule Border Gate – Edirne – Babaeski – Silivri – İstanbul – İzmit – Adapazari – Bolu – Gerede – Ilgaz – Amasya – Niksar – Refahiye – Erzincan – Aşkale – Erzurum – Ağrı – Gürbulak Border Gate – Iran (Islamic Republic of)

Proposal for E90

Current overall reference:

Existing E90: Lisboa - Montijo - Setúbal - Evora - Caia - Badajoz - Madrid - Zaragoza - Lérida - Barcelona ... Mazara del Vallo - Alcamo - Palermo - Buonfornello Messina ... Reggio di Calabria - Catanzaro - Crotona - Sibari - Metaponto - Taranto - Brindisi ... Igoumenitsa - Ioannina - Kozani - Thessaloniki - Alexandroupoli - Ipsala - Kesan - Gelibolu ... Lapseki - Bursa - Eskişehir - Sivrihisar - Ankara - Aksaray - Adana - Toprakkale - Gaziantep - S. Urfa - Nusaybin - Cizre - Habur – Iraq

Proposed overall reference:

Proposed E 90: Lisboa - Montijo - Setúbal - Evora - Caia - Badajoz - Madrid - Zaragoza - Lérida - Barcelona ... Mazara del Vallo - Alcamo - Palermo - Buonfornello Messina ... Reggio di Calabria - Catanzaro - Crotona - Sibari - Metaponto - Taranto - Brindisi ... Igoumenitsa - Ioannina - Kozani - Thessaloniki - Alexandroupoli - İpsala Border Gate – Keşan – Gelibolu – Lapseki – Bursa – Eskişehir – Sivrihisar – Ankara – Niğde – Adana - Toprakkale – Gaziantep – Şanlıurfa – Nusaybin – Cizre - Habur Border Gate - Iraq

Proposal for E87

Current overall reference:

Existing E87: Odessa - Izmail - Reni - Galati - Tulcea - Constanta - Varna - Burgas - Marinka - Zvezdec - Malko Tarnovo - Dereköy - Kırklareli - Babaeski - Havza - Keşan - Gelibolu - Eceabat ... Çanakkale - Ayvalik - Izmir - Selçuk - Aydin - Denizli - Acipayam - Korkuteli - Antalya

Proposed overall reference:

Proposed E 87: Odessa - Izmail - Reni - Galati - Tulcea - Constanta - Varna - Burgas - Marinka - Zvezdec - Malko Tarnovo - Dereköy (Border Gate) – Kırklareli – Babaeski - Havza

– Keşan – Gelibolu - 1915 Çanakkale Bridge – Çanakkale – Ayvalık – İzmir – Selçuk – Aydın – Denizli – Acıpayam – Korkuteli -Antalya

Proposal for E881

There are no changes in overall reference, however, changes in route can be seen in the maps attached.

2. The proposed amendments are shown in the maps attached.

## II. Justification

3. Türkiye is located between Europe, Asia and Africa where the three continents are closest to each other and extends over the point where Europe and Asia meet. This unique location gives Türkiye the opportunity of playing an important role for the establishment of Euro-Asian Transportation links coming from either Europe or Asia passing through Türkiye.

4. Being aware of the geographical importance of the location, Türkiye puts great efforts for developing transportation arteries not only from East to West but also from Black Sea Region to Central Asia that have different social and economic structures and has always been a significant channel of international commercial links.

5. Türkiye considers her highway network system essential for the progress and the unity of the region as well as national development. A long-term implementation of motorway construction program was put into application by the General Directorate of Turkish Highways (KGM) in the second half of 1980 to meet the increasing traffic demand of main arteries overlapping with international road transport corridors.

6. Apart from the motorway construction works, in order to increase the standards and traffic safety on the main state roads, the multi-lane road and ring road construction works are also carried out. With regard to this expedited motorway construction program, up to now, a motorway network with a length of 3633 km has been opened to traffic. 2282 km of our motorway network was built with the National Budget and 1351 km with the Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT) financing model. These motorways are on the densest routes which are served to our biggest cities; İstanbul, Ankara, İzmir, Bursa, Adana.

7. The motorways that have been completed and opened to traffic with the BOT model are given below:

- İstanbul-Bursa-İzmir Motorway (Including Osmangazi Bridge) 426 km;
- North Marmara Motorway (Including Yavuz Sultan Selim Bridge) 398 km
- Menemen-Aliğa-Çandarlı Motorway 96 km;
- Ankara-Niğde Motorway 330 km;
- Malkara-Çanakkale Motorway (Including 1915 Çanakkale Bridge) 101 km.

8. Because of these developments in Turkish road network, we consider it appropriate to shift some of the E-Road routes to new motorways with high physical and geometrical standards parallel to these routes in order to increase traffic safety and travel comfort in the E-Road Network. In this context, no changes will be made in the starting and ending points of the routes within the borders of our country.

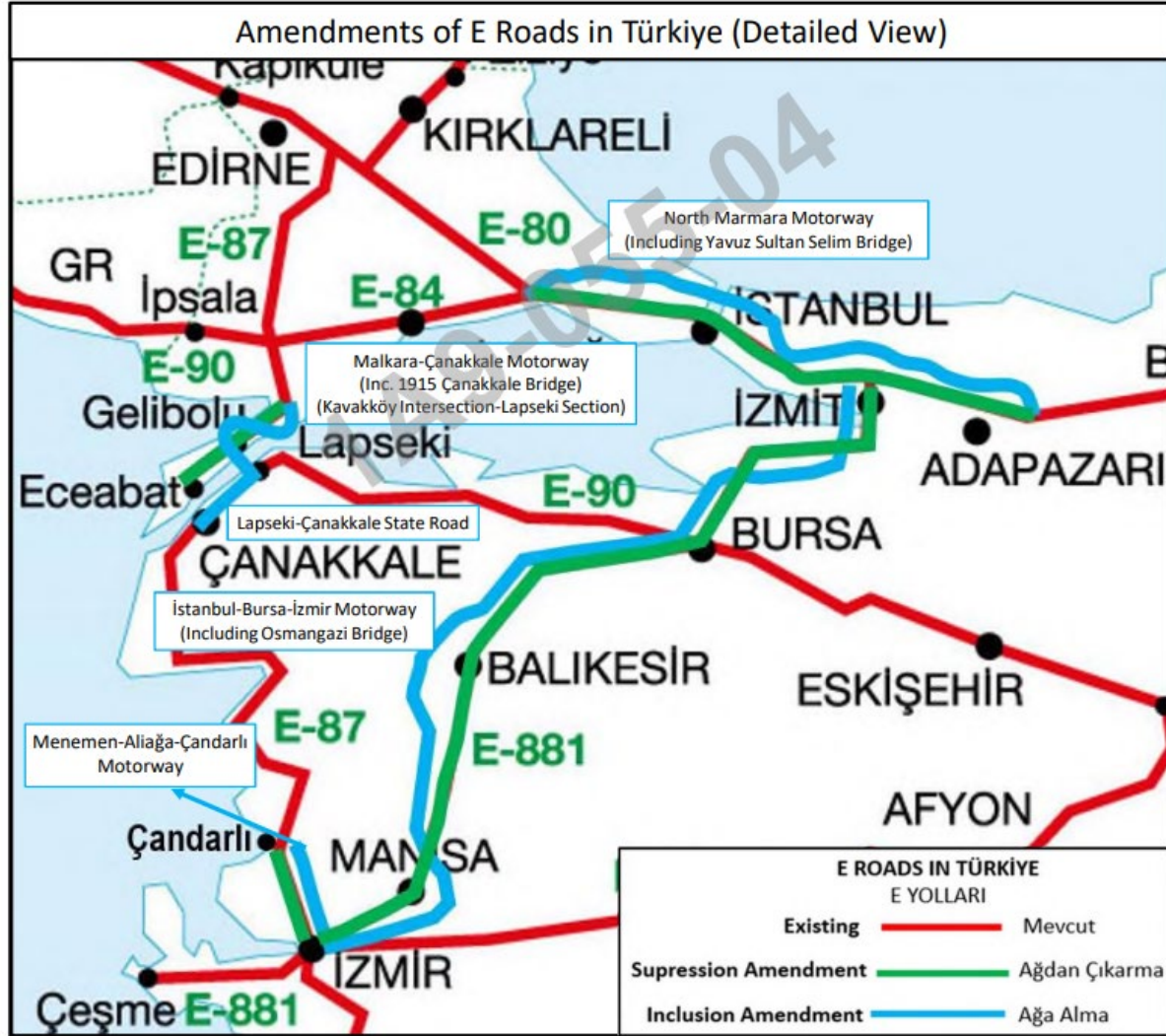
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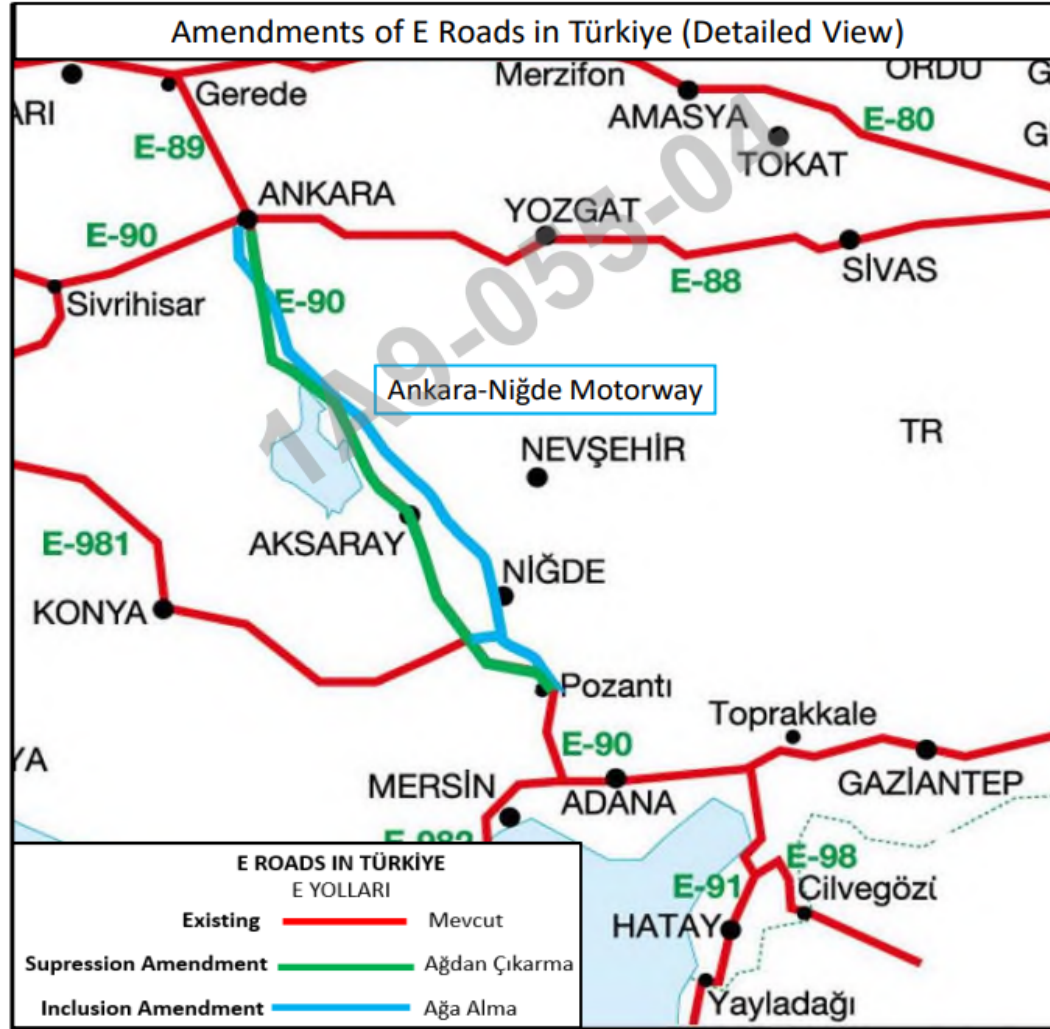
1. Map of Amendments of E Roads in Türkiye - General View (1 page)
2. Two Maps of Amendments of E Roads in Türkiye - Detailed View (2 pages)
3. Map of E Roads in Türkiye - Final View (1 page).
4. List of Turkish E-Roads Network for Final View (2 pages)

## Amendments of E Roads in Türkiye (General View)



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## List of Proposed Turkish E-Road Network Routes

<i>Class</i>	<i>E-Road</i>	<i>Route Details</i>	<i>Length (Km)</i>
West-east orientation Reference road (A-1-a)	E 70	Samsun-Ordu-Giresun-Trabzon-Sarp Border Gate	525
West-east orientation Reference road (A-1-a)	E 80	Kapıkule Border Gate-Edirne-Babaeski-Silivri-İstanbul-İzmit-Adapazarı-Bolu-Gerede-Ilgaz-Amasya-Niksar-Refahiye-Erzincan-Aşkale-Erzurum-Ağrı-Gürbulak Border Gate	1.812
West-east orientation Reference road (A-1-a)	E 90	İpsala Border Gate-Keşan-Gelibolu-Lapseki-Bursa-Eskişehir-Sivrihisar-Ankara-Niğde-Adana-Toprakkale-Gaziantep-Şanlıurfa-Nusaybin-Cizre-Habur Border Gate	1.938
West-east orientation Intermediate road (A-1-b)	E 84	Keşan-Tekirdağ-Silivri	148
West-east orientation Intermediate road (A-1-b)	E 88	Ankara-Yozgat-Sivas-Refahiye	629
West-east orientation Intermediate road (A-1-b)	E 96	İzmir -Uşak-Afyonkarahisar-Sivrihisar	441
West-east orientation Intermediate road (A-1-b)	E 98	Topboğazı-Kırıkhan-Reyhanlı-Cilvegözü Border Gate	56
North-south orientation Reference road (A-2-a)	E 95	Samsun- Merzifon	88
North-south orientation Intermediate road (A-2-b)	E 87	Dereköy (Border Gate)-Kırklareli-Babaeski-Havsa-Keşan-Gelibolu-1915 Çanakkale Bridge-Çanakkale-Ayvalık-İzmir-Selçuk-Aydın-Denizli-Acıpayam-Korkuteli-Antalya	1.090



<i>Class</i>	<i>E-Road</i>	<i>Route Details</i>	<i>Length (Km)</i>
North-south orientation Intermediate road (A-2-b)	E 89	Gerede-Kızılcahamam-Ankara	126
North-south orientation Intermediate road (A-2-b)	E 91	Toprakkale-İskenderun-Topboğazı-Antakya-Yayladağı Border Gate	180
North-south orientation Intermediate road (A-2-b)	E 97	Trabzon-Gümüşhane-Aşkale	248
North-south orientation Intermediate road (A-2-b)	E 99	Şanlıurfa- Diyarbakır-Bitlis-Doğubayazıt-Iğdır-Dilucu-Sadarak	792
Branch, link and connecting road (B)	E 691	Türkçözü (Border Gate)-Posof-Kars-Horasan	276
Branch, link and connecting road (B)	E 881	İzmit-Bursa-Balıkesir-Manisa-İzmir-Çeşme	524
Branch, link and connecting road (B)	E 981	Afyonkarahisar-Konya-(Niğde-Pozantı) Junc.	434
Branch, link and connecting road (B)	E 982	Mersin (Çeşmeli D400 Intersection)-Tarsus (Tarsus East Intersection)	68
TOTAL			9.375