

**UNECE SEMINAR
ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ANNEX 8
TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON HARMONIZATION
OF FRONTIER CONTROLS OF GOODS, 1982
GENEVA, 18 JUNE 2009**



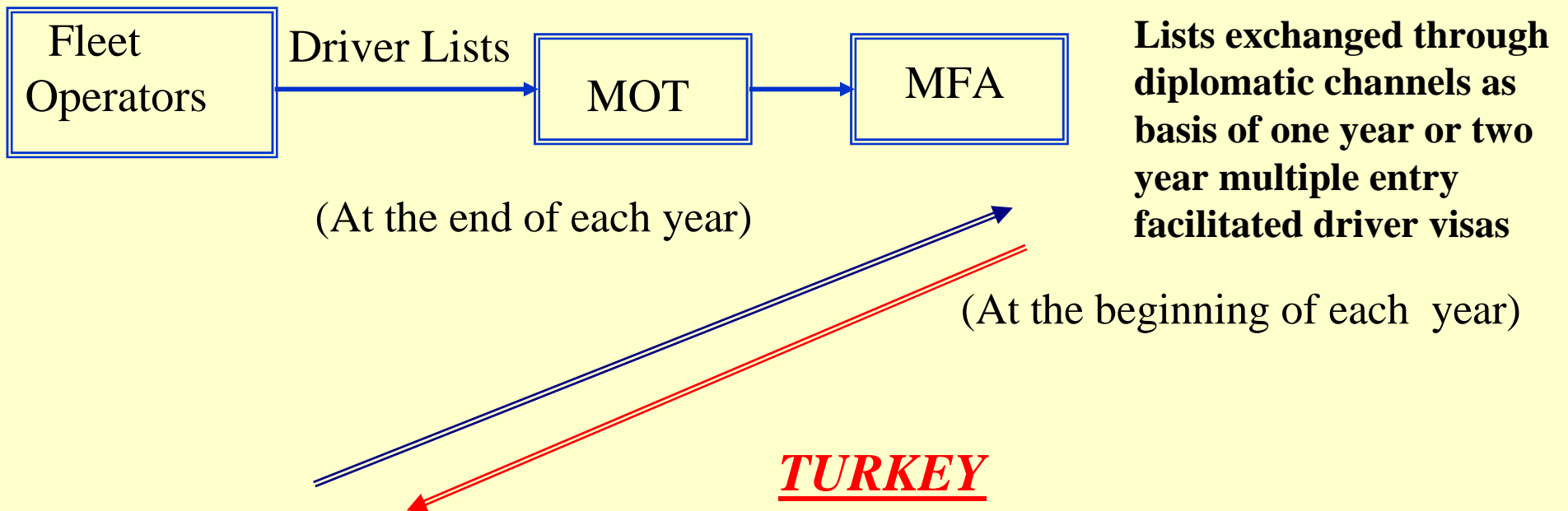
BSEC

***“VISA FACILITATION FOR
PROFESSIONAL DRIVERS”***

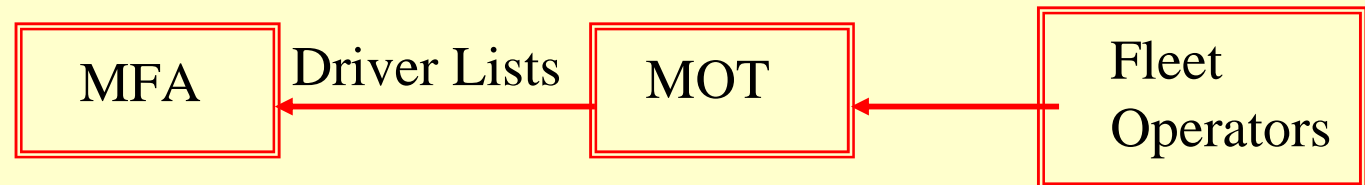
***ILLUSTRATED MECHANISM OF BILATERAL GOOD EXAMPLES IN THE
BSEC REGION***

(For facilitated visa for the professional drivers)

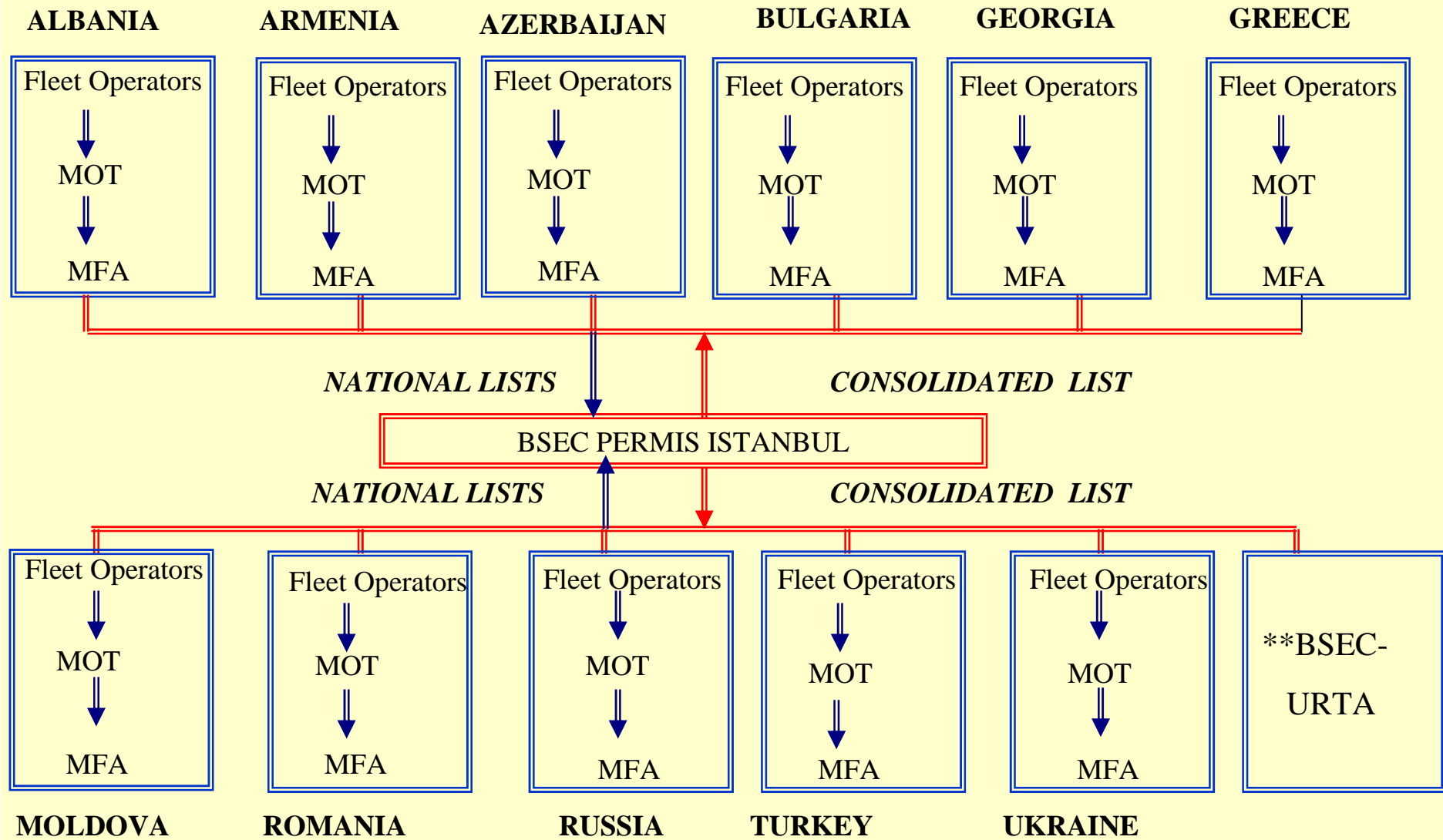
BULGARIA OR UKRAINE



Lists exchanged through diplomatic channels as basis of one year or two year multiple entry facilitated driver visas

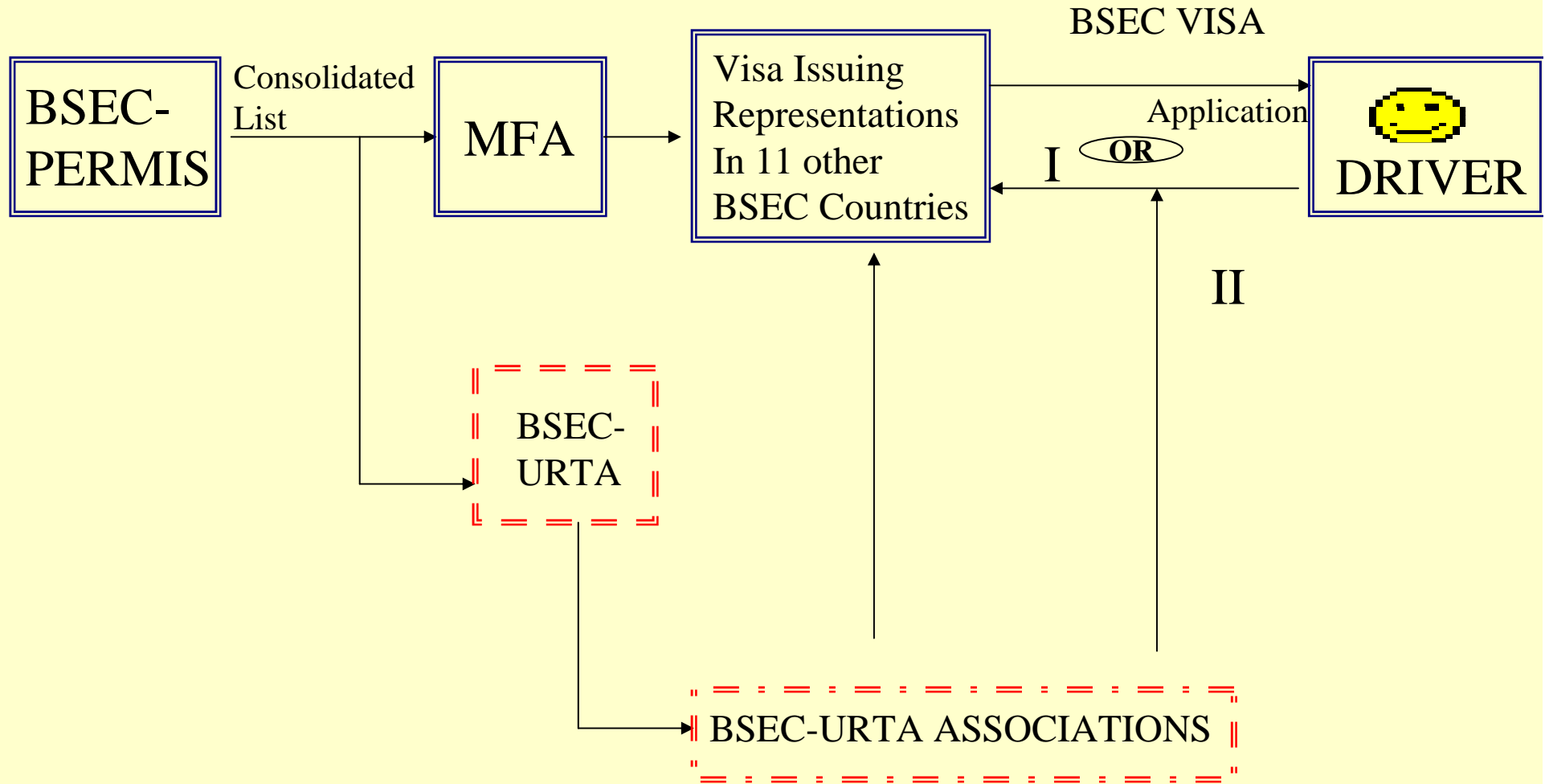


**ADAPTATION OF BILATERAL GOOD EXAMPLES TO BSEC
(CREATION OF CONSOLIDATED LIST OF DRIVERS)**



****For proper informing of each National Association who may play an intermediary role in obtaining visas on behalf of the Driver**

ADAPTATION OF BILATERAL GOOD EXAMPLES TO BSEC (ISSUANCE OF FACILITATED VISAS)



What's between lines?

- at least 1 year term, multiple entry visa**
- based on a minimum number of required documents**
 - with a low cost**
 - in a shortest possible time**
- in accordance with the national legislation and international commitments of countries**

**19th Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs
of BSEC Member States
Tirana, Albania-23 October 2008**

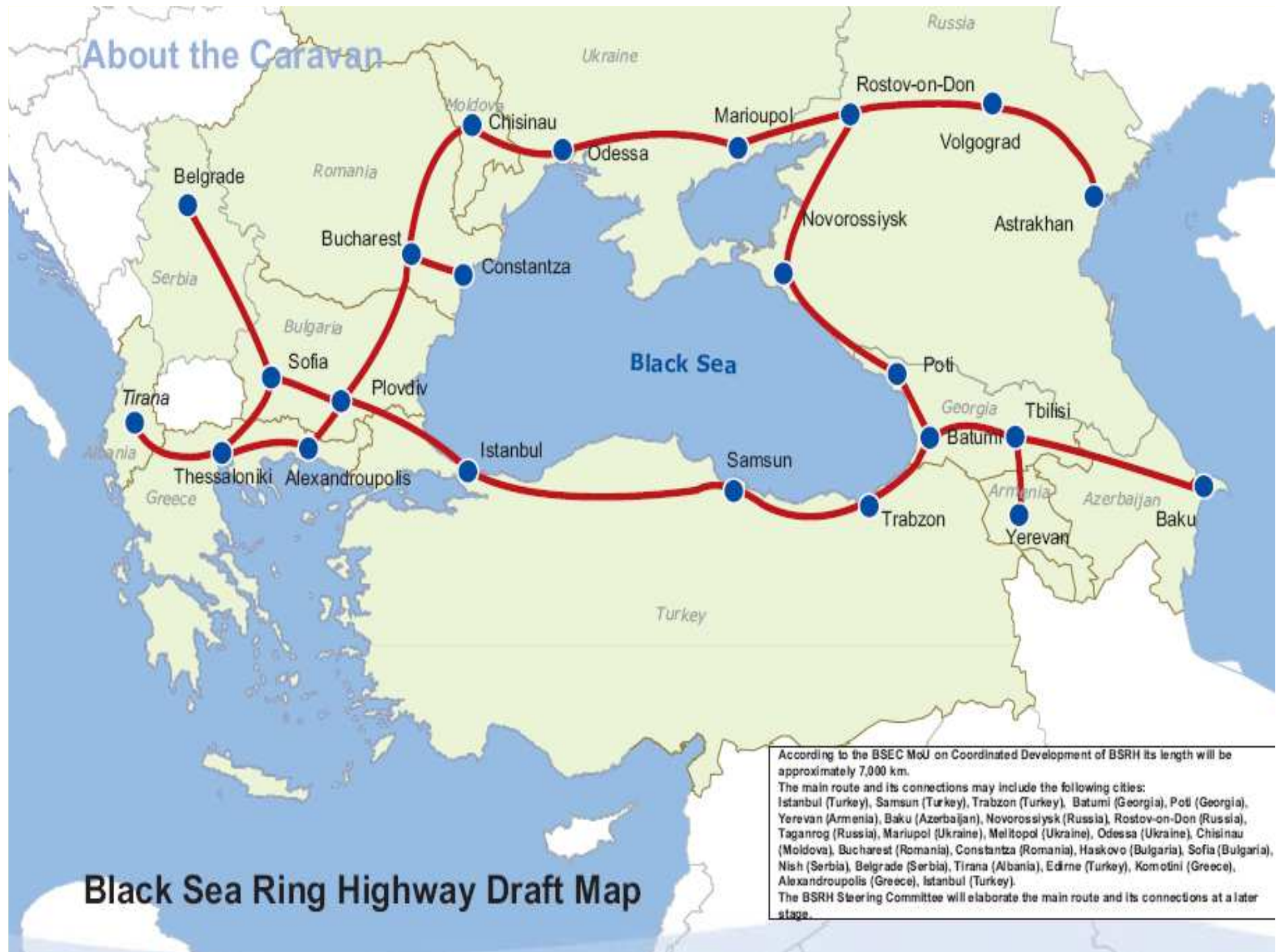
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**The Agreement on Simplification of Visa Procedures for
Professional Lorry Drivers Nationals of the BSEC Member State**

4 BSEC Member States signed:

**Albania
Armenia,
Moldova,
Turkey**

About the Caravan



Black Sea Ring Highway Draft Map

According to the BSEC MoU on Coordinated Development of BSRH its length will be approximately 7,000 km.
The main route and its connections may include the following cities:
Istanbul (Turkey), Samsun (Turkey), Trabzon (Turkey), Batumi (Georgia), Poti (Georgia), Yerevan (Armenia), Baku (Azerbaijan), Novorossiysk (Russia), Rostov-on-Don (Russia), Taganrog (Russia), Marioupol (Ukraine), Melitopol (Ukraine), Odessa (Ukraine), Chisinau (Moldova), Bucharest (Romania), Constantza (Romania), Haskovo (Bulgaria), Sofia (Bulgaria), Nish (Serbia), Belgrade (Serbia), Tirana (Albania), Edirne (Turkey), Komotini (Greece), Alexandroupolis (Greece), Istanbul (Turkey).
The BSRH Steering Committee will elaborate the main route and its connections at a later stage.

Scientific Conclusions of the Caravan

by NEA Transport Research and Training Center - Netherlands

Total costs (direct + indirect) of waiting time at borders in the BSEC region	€ 208 million
Direct costs of transport trip permits	€ 11 million
Direct costs of visa for drivers	€ 10 million
TOTAL COST OF BORDER DELAYS IN THE BSEC REGION	€ 229 million



€26,000 / each hour !!! or €624,000 / each day !!!

Facilitation's tools by the BSEC Organization

*MoU on Coordinated Development of
the Black Sea Ring Highway*

MoU on Motorways of the Black Sea

*Agreement on Simplification of Visa
Procedures for Professional Lorry Drivers*

*MoU on Facilitation of Road Transport
of Goods*