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EUROPEAN AGREEMENT ON IMPORTANT INTERNATIONAL COMBINED
TRANSPORT LINES AND RELATED INSTALLATIONS (AGTC)

New amendment proposals

Transmitted by the Government of Latvia

Note: The Working Party may wish to be informed of the following amendment proposals aiming at extending the AGTC combined transport network as well as its related installations to Latvia.

In accordance with the relevant provisions of article 15 of the AGTC, the Contracting Parties to the AGTC may wish to take note of these proposals with a view to preparing an official proposal for consideration and adoption at the next session of the Working Party and to undertake the necessary consultations with the countries directly concerned by these amendment proposals, i.e. Belarus and the Russian Federation. Estonia, Lithuania and Latvia are not yet Contracting Parties to the AGTC (Lithuania has acceded to the AGC in 2002).

The secretariat is of the view that, in addition to these amendment proposals pertaining to Latvia only, the relevant railway links to Belarus, Estonia and the Russian Federation should be identified in the following months. Also other important combined transport lines to from and through Estonia and Lithuania could be identified to allow the Working Party to possibly adopt, at one of its next sessions, a consistent package of new AGTC railway lines and related installation in this sub-region.

To facilitate discussions and understanding of the amendment proposals pertaining to Latvia, the secretariat has reproduced at the end of this document a map showing the Latvian railway scheme.

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AGTC AGREEMENT

COUNTRY SPECIFIC AMENDMENT PROPOSALS

(43) LATVIA

AGTC Annex I

Add the following new railways lines (exact numbering of lines to be decided later)

“C-E 12/14 Ventspils-Jelgava-Krustpils-Zilupe (-Sebezh)” [Russian Federation]
Liepaja

“C-E 12/14 Riga-Krustpils-Daugavpils-Indra (-Bigosovo)” [Belarus]

“C-E 75 [Lithuania] (Sarkiai-)-Meitene-Jelgava-Riga-Lugaži (-Valga)” [Estonia]
(refer to the amendment proposals relating to (34) Lithuania contained in document
TRANS/WP.24/2005/6 that will come into force in May 2006).

AGTC Annex II

A. Terminals of importance for international combined transport

Add the following terminals:

“Riga
Ventspils
Liepaja”

B. Border crossing points of importance for international combined transport

Add the following new border crossing points:

Zilupe (LDZ) – Raz. Posinj or Sebezh? (RZD)	[Latvia - Russian Federation]
Indra (LDZ) – Bigosovo (BC)	[Latvia – Belarus]
Lugaži (LDZ) – Valga (EVR)	[Latvia – Estonia]
Meitene (LDZ) - Šarkiai (LG) ¹	[Latvia – Lithuania]

¹ This border crossing point has already been proposed for inclusion into the AGTC as part of the amendment proposals relating to Lithuania (document TRANS/WP.24/2005/6).

Latvia railway scheme

