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Infrastructure development projects

I. Transmitted by Switzerland

The Government of Switzerland informs the Working Party that since the last information submitted to SC.3/WP.3 no changes in the inland waterway infrastructure in Switzerland were introduced and the information in the relevant UNECE documents is actual.

II. Transmitted by the Russian Federation

The main task of the Russian Federation in the development of the inland water transport infrastructure is elimination of basic and strategic bottlenecks of the Unified Deep Water System of the European part of Russia which are included into the Inventory of Main Standards and Parameters of the E Waterway Network (section E 50). In order to accomplish this task the following measures have been undertaken in the scope of the Federal Action Programme “Development of the transport system of the Russian Federation for 2010 – 2020”:

1) depth of the strategic bottleneck of Volga-Baltic Waterway from lock No. 6 to Kurdyug (792 km) has been increased to 380 cm;
2) construction of the parallel lock of Nizhne-Svirsky lock has been started; its accomplishment is planned by 2020;
3) project development of low-head water development on the Volga in the region of Gorodets has been launched, its accomplishment is planned by 2020;
4) construction of Saralevsky hydrocomplex will be completed in 2015.

All navigable hydraulic structures of E50 and E90 waterways on the Russian territory and Volgo-Baltijskiy waterway are being under overall reconstruction; it is planned to accomplish this work by 2020. The expected results will be the improvement of
the operation safety of the hydraulic structures and the increase of the fairway depth to 4.0 m.