

The 3rd ECO Ministerial Meeting on Transport and Communications

Agenda

(Islamabad, 27-28 April, 2000)

Annex-IV

1. Inauguration of the Meeting.
2. Election of the Chairman.
3. Adoption of the Agenda.
4. Appointment of the Drafting Committee.
5. Country Reports on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the ECO Decade of Transport and Communications (1998-2007), including:
 - a. Present status of the national projects to increase the traffic capacity of Trans-Asian Railway main line and participation in the development of Transcontinental Global Rail Corridors;
 - b. Present status of the National Highways included in the ECO Road Network and Asian Highway (AH) of the ALTID Project of the UN-ESCAP as well as the development plans on this subject for next biennial period (2000-2001);
 - c. Proposals to increase the volume of transportation among the Member-States and meet the demand for regular and reliable transportation of goods with a minimum guaranteed time of delivery and relatively low transport costs in the region.
6. Consideration and adoption of the draft Terms of Reference (TOR) of the ECO Permanent Commission on Transport and Communications on the basis of the Member States' final views.
7. Promotion of the establishment of a Data Bank on the ECO Road Network and preparation of a detailed directory to help the drivers of road transport to be implemented by the road authorities of the Republic of Turkey in the years 2000-2001 on the basis of the TOR prepared by the ECO Secretariat.
8. Consideration and adoption of the Annexes of the TTFA and establishment of the Transit Transport Co-ordination Council (TTCC) under Article 36 of the Agreement.
9. Consideration of the ECO Shipping Company's activities and to propose the feasible joint actions to make it a self-sustaining and viable concern.
10. Consideration of the expediency of the further development of ECO Air Project.
11. Review of implementation of the Plan for Development of Telecommunications and Postal links in the ECO Region.
12. Cooperation with the Project Working Group on Transport and Border Crossing Facilitation under UN Special Programme for the Economies of Central Asia (SPECA) and the programmes/projects of other international organizations.
13. Any other business.
14. Date and venue of the next Meeting.
15. Adoption of the Report.
16. Vote of thanks and closing of the Meeting.