

PROTOCOL

of the Latvian-Hungarian Joint Committee Meeting on Road Transport held in Budapest on 7 June of 2011

At the invitation of the Ministry of National Development of the Republic of Hungary, the meeting of the Latvian-Hungarian Joint Committee on Road Transport was held on 7 June 2011 in Budapest.

After the introduction of both delegations, whose composition is listed in the annex, the delegations agreed on the following agenda:

1. **Exchange of statistical data concerning road transport between Latvia and Hungary**
2. **Transport of goods and passengers**
3. **Carriage of goods to/from third countries, system of third country permits**
4. **Miscellaneous (Harmonization of the regulation 1071/2009/EC)**

1. **Exchange of statistical data concerning road transport between Latvia and Hungary**

The delegations exchanged information on the statistical data on goods transport between the two countries in volume and in value. It was commonly noted that the Hungarian-Latvian foreign trade relations have been developing year by year which was welcomed by both sides. The participation of the road transport, specifically the increase of the transport from Hungary to Latvia has decisive role in this process.

2. **Transport of goods and passengers**

Both delegations gave information about the use of the third country permits. The Hungarian delegation pointed out that the number of the third country permits exchanged covers the needs of Hungarian hauliers.

The Latvian delegation proposed to liberalize such a transport operation to/from third countries.

The Hungarian side promised to discuss this request with the different Interest Representing Organizations and to inform The Latvian side on the next Joint Committee Meeting.

After discussion both delegations agreed that exchanged 150 permits for at least EURO2 vehicles and 50 for at least EURO3 vehicles become the final quota of 2011. The delegations agreed on the following preliminary quota for the year 2012:



200 non-taxable third country permits.

The delegation noted that the permits of current year are valid up to 31 of January of the coming year.

In the case of necessity the sides can agree additional exchange of permits.

Both delegations stated that no particular problems have arisen in the traffic of the occasional bus services.

4. Miscellaneous

Both delegation informed each other on the situation of the introduction and implementation of Reg. Nr.1071/2009/EC as well as on their standpoints concerning the further development of the multilateral quota of ECMT.

The sides exchanged information on the situation of roadside traffic checks and controls.

The Latvian side informed the Hungarian side about newly established control body in Latvia.

The Hungarian side informed the Latvia side of the schedule of weekend ban and will send the relevant national legislation.

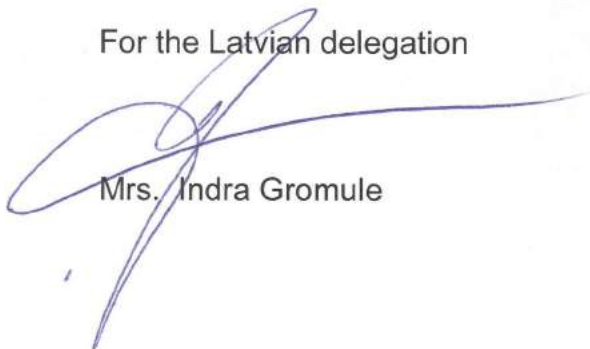
The Latvian side informed about the planned introduction of road vignette in the year 2014 and promised to provide more detailed information before its introduction.

The meeting was held in a constructive and friendly atmosphere.

The Latvia delegation invited the Hungarian delegation for the next meeting of the Joint Committee. The exact dates will be settled by correspondence.

Done in Budapest, on 7 June 2011, in two originals in the English language.

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