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OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT ON ITS FOURTEENTH SESSION AMMAN, 9-10 OCTOBER 2013

Summary

The fourteenth session of the Committee on Transport of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA) was held in Amman, on 9 and 10 October 2013. It discussed items on the session agenda, namely the progress in implementing the recommendations of its previous session; the harmonization of institutional frameworks and legislation in the transport sector in the region; and methods to monitor the implementation of the Agreement on International Roads in the Arab Mashreq. The Committee issued a number of recommendations, some of a general nature and some relating specifically to items on the session agenda.

This report contains a brief summary of the discussions that took place on each agenda item, in addition to the outcomes and recommendations emerging from the session, and was adopted by the Committee at its final meeting.

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Introduction

1. The Committee on Transport of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA) held its fourteenth session pursuant to ESCWA resolution 213 (XIX) of 7 May 1997 concerning the establishment of a Committee on Transport within the Commission, which was endorsed by the United Nations Economic and Social Council in its resolution 1997/11 of 18 July 1997; and in accordance with ESCWA resolution 229 (XXI) of 11 May 2001 concerning the frequency of the sessions of the Committee.

2. This report contains the recommendations issued by the Committee at the close of the session, some of which related to specific agenda items and some of which were of a general nature. It also summarizes the discussions conducted under each agenda item, the statements made at the opening meeting and details of the organization and attendance of the session.

I. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT AT ITS FOURTEENTH SESSION

A. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT AT ITS THIRTEENTH SESSION

3. Member States are invited to take note of the information contained in the report on the implementation of recommendations issued by the Committee on Transport at its thirteenth session, as set out in document E/ESCWA/EDGD/2013/IG.1/3(Part I); to update that information as necessary; and to submit this new contribution, together with any comments, to the secretariat by 30 January 2014, it being understood that should no comments be received from any country, the document will be adopted as is.

B. IMPLEMENTATION OF TRANSPORT-RELATED ACTIVITIES UNDER THE ESCWA PROGRAMME OF WORK

4. Member States are invited to take note of the information contained in the report on progress achieved since the thirteenth session of the Committee on the implementation of transport-related activities under the ESCWA programme of work, as set forth in document E/ESCWA/EDGD/2013/IG.1/3(Part II); to update that information as necessary; and to submit this new contribution, together with any comments, to the secretariat by 30 January 2014, it being understood that should no comments be received from any country, the document will be adopted as is.

C. COMPONENTS OF THE INTEGRATED TRANSPORT SYSTEM IN THE ARAB MASHREQ

5. The ESCWA secretariat is requested to invite member States that have not yet acceded to agreements or memorandums of understanding in the field of transport to accelerate the accession process.

1. Agreement on International Roads in the Arab Mashreq

6. Libya, Morocco, Oman and Tunisia are invited to accede to the Agreement.

7. Member States that are parties to the Agreement are requested to update the information contained in the amended questionnaire on the follow-up to the Agreement, and to submit that questionnaire to ESCWA by 30 January 2014, including responses to the additional questions.

2. Agreement on International Railways in the Arab Mashreq

8. Member States that have not yet signed the Agreement (Iraq, Libya, Morocco, Oman, Qatar and Tunisia) are invited to accelerate the accession process.

9. Member States that have signed but not yet ratified the Agreement are called to accelerate the ratification process.

3. *Memorandum of understanding on cooperation in the field of maritime transport in the Arab Mashreq*

10. Member States that have not yet signed the Memorandum (Bahrain, Kuwait, Libya, Morocco and Tunisia) are invited to accelerate the accession process.

11. Member States that have signed, but not ratified the Agreement (Qatar and Egypt), are called to accelerate the ratification process.

4. *Transport and trade facilitation*

12. Member States that have not yet established national committees for the facilitation of transport and trade (Bahrain, Kuwait, Libya, Morocco, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates) are invited to accelerate the process, using the guide for the establishment of national committees for transport and trade facilitation in the region prepared by ESCWA in 2003, and making use of technical support provided by ESCWA in that area.

13. Member States that have already established national committees are called to accelerate their operationalization by drafting and adopting action plans for each committee and by making use of the technical support provided by ESCWA in that regard.

5. *Road safety*

14. Member States are called to treat road safety as a priority and a critical issue, and to take into account international commitments in that regard.

15. Member States are called to cooperate and coordinate with the ESCWA secretariat to begin the practical implementation of the United Nations Decade of Action for Road Safety and to set a timetable for the implementation of the Moscow Declaration of 20 November 2009.

16. The ESCWA secretariat is invited to continue to provide member States with technical support for road safety.

17. The ESCWA secretariat is invited to continue drafting a guide for the establishment of national road safety committees.

D. HARMONIZATION OF INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORKS AND LEGISLATION
IN THE TRANSPORT SECTOR

18. Member States are invited to adopt the recommendations made at the third meeting of the working group on the harmonization of institutional frameworks and legislation in the transport sector in the ESCWA region, as set forth in annex I to the present report.

E. FOLLOW-UP ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENT ON INTERNATIONAL ROADS
IN THE ARAB MASHREQ

19. Member States are invited to adopt the proposed work plan on the follow-up of the implementation of the agreement on international roads in the Arab Mashreq, set forth in document E/ESCWA/EDGD/2013/IG.1/5(Part II), following the inclusion of the amendments proposed by Committee members; and the

ESCWA secretariat is called to broaden the scope of the work plan to include States that have recently acceded to the agreement.

20. Member States are called to appoint representatives to the team of national coordinators specializing in the transport sector from relevant national road network institutions and provide ESCWA with their names and contact details prior to the fifteenth session of the Committee on Transport.

21. The ESCWA secretariat is requested to provide technical support to member States in implementing the agreed follow-up plans and coordinate the required plan activities according to priorities and available resources.

F. GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS AND DECISIONS

22. Member States are invited to take note of the programme of work for the biennium 2014-2015 in the field of transport, as set forth in document E/ESCWA/EDGD/2013/IG.1/7.

23. The ESCWA secretariat is requested to take note of the discussions on the following topics: (a) the Agreement on International Railways in the Arab Mashreq; (b) the movement of hazardous waste; and (c) the study on logistics and transport chains in ESCWA member States for their inclusion in the work plan for the biennium 2016-2017.

24. The ESCWA secretariat is requested to continue applying the methodological framework for the development and implementation of an integrated transport system in the Arab Mashreq, in terms of developing a mechanism for enhancing cooperation and coordination with all regional and international organizations, entities, corporations, experts and consultants to benefit from their experience; and to prepare a presentation on achievements in that regard.

25. Member States are requested to submit the following two reports to ESCWA by 30 January 2014: the first on implementing the recommendations of the fourteenth session of the Committee on Transport and the second on transport developments in each member country from 1 October 2012 to 30 September 2013.

26. Member States are urged to submit the requested reports within the above-specified deadline to allow the secretariat sufficient time to prepare a comprehensive report and post it on the ESCWA website, making it available to member States for consideration and comments.

27. ESCWA is requested to send experts to new member States to evaluate the transport and road sectors and assess their requirements, in accordance with available resources.

28. Sessions of the Committee on Transport are to be held systematically, taking into account possible delays as a result of organizational or logistical difficulties.

29. Working groups, such as the Working Group on the Harmonization of Institutional Frameworks and Legislation in the Transport Sector in the ESCWA Region, are to be established, and modern communication methods could be used to hold meetings for such groups.

30. The fifteenth session of the Committee on Transport will be held in Morocco as requested by the country representative, following the submission by Morocco of a written statement to the Bureau of the Committee in this regard, knowing that Iraq, which had also requested to host the session and had obtained the approval of the Committee, does not oppose the venue change. Iraq has proposed to host the sixteenth session of the Committee.

II. TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

A. PROGRESS ACHIEVED IN THE FIELD OF TRANSPORT SINCE THE THIRTEENTH SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT (Agenda item 4)

31. The Committee considered the following two documents under this item: document E/ESCWA/EDGD/2013/IG.1/3(Part I) on the implementation of the recommendations made by the Committee at its thirteenth session and E/ESCWA/EDGD/2013/IG.1/3(Part II) on the implementation of transport-related activities under the ESCWA programme of work since its thirteenth session.

32. Several country representatives requested the secretariat to make reports available before the sessions of the Committee on Transport, so as to allow sufficient time for consideration and comments. Representatives also requested the secretariat to commit to specific dates for holding the sessions of the Committee. In response, the secretariat said that ESCWA reports had been delayed because some member States did not meet the specified deadlines for the submission of national reports; and that the political and security situations in a large number of member States had caused delays in holding Committee sessions.

B. PROGRESS ACHIEVED IN IMPLEMENTING THE COMPONENTS OF THE INTEGRATED TRANSPORT SYSTEM IN THE ARAB MASHREQ: NATIONAL COMMITTEES FOR TRANSPORT AND TRADE FACILITATION (Agenda item 5)

33. The Committee considered document E/ESCWA/EDGD/2013/IG.1/4 on national committees for transport and trade facilitation, which fundamentally aim to enhance intraregional and international trade in member States. The representative of the secretariat gave a presentation on the reality of Arab intraregional and international trade, and on attempts to facilitate trade and logistical services. He highlighted the cost of transport in trade, the benefits of facilitating international trade and the importance of developing an indicator to measure the quality of transport services and trade initiatives. He also presented the amended questionnaire on the establishment and operationalization of the national committees for transport and trade facilitation in ESCWA member States. He explained the proposed amendments that requested parties to the Agreement on International Roads in the Arab Mashreq to provide ESCWA with data aimed at establishing an indicator that linked the progress made in implementing the components of the Agreement to its effects on Arab intraregional trade and transport. He also informed the Committee of the activities that the secretariat would undertake to facilitate transport and trade, including: (a) an annual report on economic integration in the Arab region from 2014 onwards, in which the role of integrated transport systems in supporting economic development in the region would be assessed; and (b) activities to build capacities in supply chain use and to benefit from assistance in reducing non-tariff barriers in the Arab region.

34. In the ensuing discussion, several representatives said that most member States had established national committees for transport and trade facilitation, but the difficulty lay in implementing their work. They stressed the importance of studying relevant obstacles and said that studies in that regard should be clear and realistic, and should accurately reflect the implementation of the committees' work. Representatives of Libya and Morocco said that they required technical support from the secretariat to establish national committees for transport and trade facilitation.

C. GENERAL DISCUSSION ON TRANSPORT ISSUES IN THE ARAB REGION
(Agenda item 6)

1. *Harmonization of institutional frameworks
and legislation in the transport sector*

35. As was the case at previous sessions, the Working Group on the Harmonization of Institutional Frameworks and Legislation in the Transport Sector held its third meeting in an open session attended by all members of the Committee on Transport. The Committee considered document E/ESCWA/EDGD/2013/IG.1/5(Part I) containing the recommendations of the second meeting of the working group and their implementation procedures. The representative of the secretariat presented the provisional agenda for the third meeting and the proposed terms of reference of a study on the status of institutional frameworks and legislation in the transport sector in member States, developed by the secretariat following recommendations from the second meeting of the working group.

36. All the items of the proposed terms of reference were discussed. The aims and methodology of the study and the responsibilities of the consultant who would be contracted following the adoption of the terms of reference were also reviewed. It was agreed that the secretariat, in collaboration with the technical secretariat of the working group, would amend the draft terms of reference to reflect comments made during the discussion and submit it to the working group for its consideration before contracting a consultant.

2. *Proposed plan of action for following up the implementation of the Agreement
on International Roads in the Arab Mashreq*

37. The representative of the secretariat presented a plan to follow up on the implementation of the Agreement on International Roads in the Arab Mashreq, on the basis of document E/ESCWA/EDGD/2013/IG.1/5(Part II). He presented the implementation work plan adopted in 2004; the requirements of the Agreement; its desired benefits; its implementation stages; implementation rates in States parties to the Agreement; and relevant international conventions and their implementation plans. He then explained the proposed approach to follow up the implementation of the Agreement and what was expected from the secretariat in terms of technical support, holding periodical meetings of the proposed national coordinators group and updating relevant data and road maps. He also explained what was expected from member States in terms of appointing national coordinators to follow up the Agreement and providing updated national data.

38. Participants then discussed the follow-up plan. Representatives of Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and the Syrian Arab Republic submitted proposals on the responsibilities of national coordinators and the need to update the current questionnaire to follow up the implementation of the Agreement. The representative of Palestine proposed that the name of the Agreement on International Roads in the Arab Mashreq be updated to reflect the accession of North African States to ESCWA.

3. *Sustainable transport*

39. The representative of the secretariat gave a presentation on sustainable energy and transport in the Arab region. He defined sustainable transport as the capacity to meet society's transport and trade needs without negatively impacting persons or the environment at present or in the future. He explained the economic, social and environmental dimensions and the negative effects of unsustainable transport. He also outlined the incentives to ensure sustainable transport; the efforts of the international community in that regard; the status of the transport sector in the Arab region; and the available policies and procedures to support sustainable transport in the Arab region.

40. Participants commended the secretariat's comprehensive presentation, given that it was the first time that the issue of sustainable transport had been presented to the Committee on Transport. Several representatives, especially the representatives of Egypt and Jordan, highlighted their States' efforts to guarantee safe, clean and accessible transport to all social groups.

D. PROGRAMME OF WORK FOR THE BIENNIUM 2014-2015
IN THE FIELD OF TRANSPORT
(Agenda item 7)

41. The Committee presented the programme of work for the biennium 2014-2015 in the field of transport, as set forth in document E/ESCWA/EDGD/2013/IG.1/6, which fell within the framework of subprogramme 3 on economic development and integration, the implementation of which is overseen by the Economic Development and Globalization Division of ESCWA.

E. DATE AND VENUE OF THE FIFTEENTH SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT
(Agenda item 8)

42. The Committee accepted the request of Morocco to host the fifteenth session of the Committee in 2014, following the submission of a written statement to this effect to the Bureau of the Committee and noting the acceptance of Iraq, which had also requested to host the session. Iraq offered to host the sixteenth session of the Committee on Transport.

F. OTHER MATTERS
(Agenda item 9)

43. Following comments from several representatives, it was agreed that the sessions of the Committee would be held systematically, taking into account the possibility of delays for organizational or logistical reasons.

**III. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT
AT ITS FOURTEENTH SESSION**
(Agenda item 10)

44. At its final meeting, convened on 10 October 2013, the Committee on Transport adopted this report, set forth in document E/ESCWA/EDGD/2013/IG.1/7/Report.

IV. ORGANIZATION OF WORK

A. DATE AND VENUE

45. The fourteenth session of the Committee on Transport was held in Amman on 9 and 10 October 2013. Its work was divided into five meetings.

B. OPENING

46. Ms. Micheline Baz, representative of Lebanon, in her capacity as outgoing Chair of the thirteenth session of the Committee on Transport, gave an address in which she thanked the ESCWA secretariat for its valuable efforts in organizing the Committee's annual session and for closely monitoring transport issues in the region with member States. She set out key developments in the transport sector in Lebanon, despite the difficulties that the country was facing. She also outlined the projects undertaken by the Lebanese Ministry of Public Works and Transport, especially in terms of upgrading seaports and improving international road infrastructure, under the Agreement on International Roads in the Arab Mashreq. She confirmed that she, as the representative of Lebanon, had been in constant communication with ESCWA during her time as Chair of the thirteenth session of the Committee to monitor the progress achieved in implementing the recommendations of that session and to follow developments in the transport sector in all member countries, despite the challenges and difficulties in the region. She wished the representative of Libya the best of luck as Chair of the fourteenth session of the Committee.

47. Mr. Abdallah al-Dardari, Chief Economist and Director of the Economic Development and Globalization Division, delivered an address on behalf of Ms. Rima Khalaf, United Nations Under-Secretary-General and the Executive Secretary of ESCWA, in which he welcomed participants and expressed gratitude to the Jordanian Minister of Transport for attending the session. The speaker noted that, since the thirteenth session of the Committee, ESCWA had continued to monitor the implementation of relevant agreements, mechanisms and recommendations, despite the difficulties that were blighting the majority of Arab countries. He said that ESCWA had prepared a proposed work plan to monitor the implementation of the Agreement on International Roads in the Arab Mashreq that would be presented to the Committee for its consideration. He stressed the importance of the work plan in gauging the extent to which the Agreement had been implemented and in supporting States that were facing implementation-related difficulties, in accordance with the goals of ESCWA related to offering technical support to all member States and assisting in strengthening cooperation and integration between Arab countries in general. He urged new ESCWA member States to accelerate their accession to United Nations treaties on transport, so as to enhance their active role in the region and cooperate with other member States in that regard. He also called on States that had not completed the ratification process to do so quickly. He stressed the importance of updating current institutional frameworks and legislation in Arab countries to tackle new transport issues by increasing investment in transport infrastructure, strengthening trade and using energy efficiently. He also outlined ESCWA activities in that regard since the previous session of the Committee. He concluded by thanking all participants for their attendance and expressed his hope that the current session would be a success.

48. The Head of Roads and Land Authority, Ministry of Transport, Libya, Mr. Abdulrazak Muhammad al-Houd, delivered a statement on behalf of the Libyan Government, given that Libya was chairing the fourteenth session of the Committee. He welcomed participants and stressed Libya's commitment to actively participate in all transport-related activities, and its desire to ratify relevant international treaties as a recent ESCWA member State. He commended the concerted and continuous efforts of ESCWA in organizing the Committee's work and in strengthening cooperation among member States in all transport issues. He added that the session's agenda covered many important topics, indicating that the issues of harmonizing institutional frameworks and legislation in the transport sector in the region and facilitating transport and trade represented an important step towards achieving integration and consistency between member countries. In conclusion, he expressed his hope that the session would be a success and would achieve the desired results.

C. ATTENDANCE

49. The meeting was attended by representatives of 12 ESCWA member countries, namely Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, the Syrian Arab Republic and the United Arab Emirates.

50. Attending as observers were representatives of Arab federations active in the field of transport, and numerous regional organizations. The full list of participants is contained in annex II of this report.

D. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

51. In accordance with Rule 18 of the Rules of Procedure of ESCWA, member States chair the sessions of subsidiary bodies of the Commission on a rotating basis, in the Arabic alphabetical order employed by the United Nations. Mr. Abdulrazak Mohammad al-Houd, representative of Libya, thus chaired the fourteenth session of the Committee on Transport. In conformity with procedures adopted in previous sessions, the Committee elected Ms. Micheline Baz, representative of Lebanon, and Mr. Hassan Slim, representative of Egypt, as Vice-Chairs. Mr. Ayad al-Hassan, representative of Morocco, was elected as Rapporteur.

52. The drafting committee was presided over by Mr. Ayad al-Hassan, representative of Morocco and Rapporteur of the Committee, and included representatives of Jordan, Palestine and Saudi Arabia, and of the ESCWA secretariat.

E. AGENDA AND ORGANIZATION OF WORK

53. In its first meeting, the Committee adopted the agenda of the fourteenth session, as set forth in document E/ESCWA/EDGD/2013/IG.1/L.1. The adopted agenda was as follows:

1. Opening of the session.
2. Election of officers.
3. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
4. Progress achieved in the field of transport since the thirteenth session of the Committee on Transport:
 - (a) Implementation of the recommendations made by the Committee at its thirteenth session;
 - (b) Implementation of transport-related activities under the ESCWA programme of work.
5. Progress achieved in implementing the components of the Integrated Transport System in the Arab Mashreq: National committees for transport and trade facilitation.
6. General discussion on transport issues in the Arab region:
 - (a) Harmonization of institutional frameworks and legislation in the transport sector;
 - (b) Proposed plan of action for advancing the implementation of the Agreement on International Roads in the Arab Mashreq;
 - (c) Sustainable transport.
7. Programme of work for the biennium 2014-2015 in the field of transport.
8. Date and venue of the fifteenth session of the Committee on Transport.
9. Other matters.
10. Adoption of the recommendations made by the Committee on Transport at its fourteenth session.

54. At the same meeting, the Committee agreed to the proposed organization of work as set forth in document E/ESCWA/EDGD/2013/IG.1/L.2.

F. DOCUMENTS

55. Annex III to the present report includes the list of documents submitted to the fourteenth session of the Committee on Transport.

Annex I

SUMMARY OF THE THIRD MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON THE HARMONIZATION OF INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORKS AND LEGISLATION IN THE TRANSPORT SECTOR (Amman, 10 October 2013)

1. Attendance

- Jordan: Mr. Naim Hamdan, member of the working group.
- Palestine: Mr. Ali Shaath, member of the working group.
- Saudi Arabia: Mr. Monther Nasser al-Rashed, member of the working group.
- United Arab Emirates: Mr. Salem al-Zoabi, Chair of the third meeting of the working group.
- Members of the Committee on Transport.
- Representatives of Arab, regional and international organizations and federations.
- ESCWA secretariat.

2. Agenda

1. Election of the Chair of the Working Group for 2013.*
2. Consideration of the overall report based on national reports submitted to the working group secretariat.
3. Discussion of the role of the working group in facilitating intraregional trade between Arab countries.
4. Discussion of the working group budget and ways to fund it.
5. The role of ESCWA and steps to be taken by its secretariat.
6. Topics for discussion: proposal by ESCWA to discuss the draft terms of reference of the study on logistics and transport chains in ESCWA member countries and ways to fund it.
7. Date and venue of the fourth meeting of the working group.
8. Recommendations of the third meeting.

3. Discussion

The Working Group on the Harmonization of Institutional Frameworks and Legislation in the Transport Sector held its third meeting in Amman on Thursday, 10 October 2013, as part of the proceedings of the fourteenth session of the Committee on Transport (Amman, 9 and 10 October 2013). The United Arab Emirates chaired the third meeting of the Working Group in accordance with the Arabic alphabetical order of member States' names.

The Working Group reviewed the recommendations of its second meeting (Beirut, 25 April 2012) and the progress made in implementing each recommendation. It also reviewed the proposed programme of work and adopted it.

* "The Chair of the working group shall be for one year and rotates among member countries participating in the group in the alphabetical order of the names of countries. The chair of the group shall be a member of the technical secretariat". (E/ESCWA/EDGD/2010/IG.1/3).

The ESCWA secretariat presented the draft terms of reference of the study on logistics and transport chains in ESCWA member countries that the working group had been tasked to prepare at its first meeting (2011). The draft terms of reference were discussed in detail and it was agreed that the ESCWA secretariat, in collaboration with the technical secretariat of the working group, should amend the draft terms of reference to incorporate the comments made during the discussion and submit it to the working group for its consideration and comments before contracting a consultant, so as to agree on a final draft and formulation.

4. *Recommendations*

At the end of the meeting, the Working Group made the following recommendations:

(1) Request member States that had not yet named a representative to the working group to supply the working group technical secretariat and the ESCWA secretariat with the names of their delegates as soon as possible.

(2) Urge member States to submit full national reports by 31 January 2014, with separate sections for each transport sector.

(3) Request member States that had already supplied national information to review and update it by 31 January 2014, with separate sections for infrastructure and licensing, and with a brief description of legislation.

(4) Request the ESCWA secretariat to amend the draft terms of reference to incorporate the comments made during the discussion and submit it to the working group for its consideration and comments before contracting a consultant, so as to agree on a final draft and formulation.

(5) Request the technical secretariat of the working group and the ESCWA secretariat to communicate and coordinate, following the submission of all national reports, the updating of the comprehensive report on the organization of the next working group meeting and after specifying its venue and date.

(6) Request the working group technical secretariat and the ESCWA secretariat to enhance direct and electronic communication between working group members, so as to hold working group meetings in the years between sessions of the Committee on Transport.

Annex II

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

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