

PROTOCOL
of the Meeting of Delegations
of the Republic of Moldova and Pridnestrovie

February 17, 1998

City of Tiraspol

Having considered issues of agenda, the Parties decided:

1. On implementation of the Protocol of meetings of delegations of the RM and Pridnestrovie from August 21, 1997 and addenda to it, and also Protocol from February 12, 1998.

a) Directors of Republican Transport Organizations at the level of working groups shall fix the order of issuance of the TIR carnets for Pridnestrovian enterprises similar to that of 1997.

b) The Ministry of Economy of Pridnestrovie together with the Ministry of Economy of the Republic of Moldova shall introduce proposals on the participation of Pridnestrovie in the program of staff training and other programs.

c) Working groups of the Republic of Moldova and Pridnestrovie on heat-and-power sector shall within a ten-day period prepare materials on gasification of the Kamenka region for their consideration at working meeting.

d) The Pridnestrovian side shall within a two-week period consider address of the RM Government (Letter No 112/1 from February 17, 1998) on the transfer of the basic funds of the main gas pipes and leadaway pipes of the RUMG Tiraspoltransgaz located on the territory of south regions of Moldova on the balance sheet of the RPMG Moldovatransgaz.

2. On Cooperation between the Parties on Issues in the Field of Customs Activity

a) The Parties reaffirm the need for the Customs Control Department of the RM and State Customs Committee of Pridnestrovie to comply with the procedure of cargoes admission through customs posts which has established over the last period of time following the results of the meetings of the Parties (Protocols of sessions and meetings from 23.03.97 and 08.04.97).

b) To instruct working groups of the Parties to study proposals of the Republic of Moldova on streamlining customs regime, and submit corresponding proposals to the Joint Commission on socio-economic cooperation. Deadline – 10 days.

3. On Interaction of Bank Systems of the RM and Pridnestrovie

No agreed decision regarding this issue is adopted.

4. On Reciprocal Debts between the Republic of Moldova and Pridnestrovie

To submit this issue for consideration to the Presidents of the Republic of Moldova and Pridnestrovie.

5. On Cooperation between the Republic of Moldova and Pridnestrovie in the Field of Postal Service

To submit Protocol on Relations in the Field of Postal Service between RM and Pridnestrovie, prepared by the Ministry of Communications and Informatics of the RM and Republican Communications Department of Pridnestrovie, for its signing by the leaders of the RM and Pridnestrovie.

6. On Cooperation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry of the RM and Pridnestrovie

The Pridnestrovian side shall submit Protocol Decision on Cooperation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry to the Government of RM within a ten-day period.

7. On Evidence of Violation of the Joint Statement “On the Guarantees for the Free Passing of Motor Transport on the Roads of the RM from November 24, 1995”.

a) The Parties reaffirm the necessity for the road policy of the RM Ministry of Interior and State Motor Vehicle Inspection Unit of the Ministry of Interior of Pridnestrovie to strictly observe the Joint Statement “On the Guarantees for the Free Passing of Motor Transport on the Roads of the RM “signed by the Parties on November 24, 1995, in Chisinau, in the presence of the Head of the OSCE Mission to Moldova, Mr. M.Wygant.

b) To take to note that if cases of removal of registration number plates from vehicles take place, the RM Ministry of Interior and Pridnestrovian Ministry of Interior will carry out ministerial examination.

c) To give instructions to the Ministries of Interior of Moldova and Pridnestrovie that they study and introduce proposals on the order of departure of Pridnestrovian vehicles in far- and near-abroad countries with newly introduced number plates of vehicles of Pridnestrovie.

8. On Agreement between the Republic of Moldova and Pridnestrovie on Trade-Economic Cooperation.

To submit Draft Agreement for consideration to the Government of the Republic of Moldova.

Additional issue for the Agenda

On Cooperation between the Ministry of Interior of the Republic of Moldova and Ministry of Interior of Pridnestrovie in Combating Crime

To instruct Working groups of the RM Ministry of Interior and Ministry of Interior of Pridnestrovie to submit within a two-week period an agreed proposal on cooperation between the Parties in combating crime.

For Pridnestrovie
(signed) V. Sinyov

For the Republic of Moldova
(signed) I. Guzu

This Protocol is signed in the presence of representatives of:

the Russian Federation
Ukraine
the OSCE

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