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To the Deputy of the State Duma  
of the Federal Assembly  
of Russian Federation  
**V.B. Shestakov**

**On support of the implementation  
of the nongovernmental investment  
YACONTO Integrated Program**

Dear Vasily Borisovich!

The International league for the defense of human dignity and security has been contacted by the President of YACONTO LLC Sergey Pavlovich Yakunin, who asked to support, before the Supreme leadership and the Defense Ministry of RF, the implementation of the YACONTO Integrated Program developed by his company. The Program envisions the construction of a “Commercial Black Sea port YACONTO” and the Tuapse Naval Base (TNB), as the main basing & repair point for the Black Sea Fleet warships in the Tuapse region, with shared infrastructure for both objects.

Having met Sergey Yakunin and having reviewed all provided documentation on the Program developed since 2000, I came to a conclusion that this Program has several significant advantages over other options, has been studied by the Defense Ministry of RF and the General Staff of the Armed Forces and can be taken as a basis. The most notable advantages are within the area of strategic & tactical stationing, climatic and environmental conditions, as compared to the previously proposed preliminary plan for establishment of an NB for the Black Sea Fleet.

The YACONTO Integrated Program has been reviewed by several officers and received positive feedback. The Program has been supported by the former Commanders-in-Chief of the Russian Navy – Admirals of the Fleet Vladimir Kuroyedov and Vladimir Masorin, Chief of the General Staff of the Armed Forces Yuri Baluyevsky, Chairman of the Defense Committee of the State Duma Viktor Zavarzin and Head of Administration of Krasnodar Territory Alexander Tkachyov. The new Commander-in-Chief of the Navy, Admiral Vladimir Vysotsky believes that construction of a naval base is impossible without the construction of a commercial seaport with shared infrastructure.

The necessity to build a new commercial seaport in Tuapse region and to relocate hazardous facilities from Tuapse city is also based on the results of an environmental monitoring. In particular, the inspection conducted on May 10–18 of 2006, showed that *“the average concentration of drained oil in the Tuapse trade port between 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> piers exceeds the maximum permissible concentration for fishing waters by 71 thousand times”* (“Tuapse news” №143-144 from July 29<sup>th</sup> 2006). The catastrophic environmental situation that emerged because of the oil refinery, tank farms and oil terminals created unbearable conditions for the citizens of the Tuapse city.

Establishment of the YACONTO Port and a TNB with their shared production, transport and social infrastructure next to it in Tuapse district, within 5–7 kilometers from Tuapse city, will: ensure socio-economical development of Tuapse region, Tuapse city, Krasnodar Territory and Russia as a whole; solve acute environmental problems of Tuapse city; strengthen Russia’s defense capability and security in the Azov – Black Sea basin.

YACONTO LLC has official, confidential offers of complete funding for the Integrated program, coming from largest international organizations and companies on long-term, mutually beneficial terms. It’s not the financial guarantees, but the political and administrative support on highest governmental level that is required for the implementation of the Program.

I am confident that the proposed YACONTO Integrated Program has national significance, fully corresponds to the strategy of Russia’s development until 2020 and must be supported along with similar programs in Northern Russia and Far East.

Dear Vasily Borisovich, I suggest that we join our forces and support the implementation of the nongovernmental investment YACONTO Integrated Program before the supreme leadership of Russia.

Respectfully yours,



President of the International League  
for the defense of human dignity and security

V.I. Varennikov

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