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To the Minister of Railways of Russian Federation FADEEV G.M.

107174, Moscow, ul. Novaya Basmannaya, 2

Dear Gennady Matveevich!

Federal State Unitary Enterprise «Central research institute for shipbuilding technologies», with Design Enterprise «Soyuzproektverf» as a part of its structure, is developing a Declaration (Petition) of intent to construct a New Black Sea commercial port in Tuapse region of Krasnodar Territory on terms of YACONTO Program supported by the President of Russia V.V. Putin.

Construction of the New Black Sea commercial port will significantly increase the freight turnover capacity in Azov - Black Sea basin, freeing up the old Tuapse seaport for the creation of a Black Sea base for Russian Navy.

In connection with the construction of a new seaport there is a necessity for providing extra capacity for handling additional 25+30 million tons of freight turnover annually on the railroad in the direction of Tuapse city.

We ask the Ministry of Railways of Russia to confirm the potential possibility of securing those volumes and to provide an estimated cost of the actions to increase the capacity of railway approaches in the direction of Tuapse city.

Attachments: 1 document on 1 sheet.

Respectfully yours,

General Dire

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(The Russian text of this letter is an original.)