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## Statement by the Delegation of the Republic of Azerbaijan at the Vienna part of the OSCE 2010 Review Conference EED session 3: Transport security October 20, 2010

Thank you Mr. Chairman,

The issue of increasing efficiency of existing transport corridors is perhaps the most vital on our way to upgrade and further develop economic cooperation and interaction among the participating states.

One of the important goals laying ahead us is to strengthen our transit and trade potential by accelerating our common efforts towards making services in this field as one of key comparative advantages of our economies.

It is encouraging to see transport theme as a frequent guest on the agenda of Second dimension in general and of OSCE Economic and Environmental Forum in particular.

We recognize the necessity to address the issues of border crossing, facilitation of border-custom procedures and safety of transport-transit routes as an integral parts of transport security which is in full accordance to the OSCE concept of comprehensive security.

We welcome the work done by OSCE to strengthen transport dialogue between relevant stakeholders and recent initiatives in this area. As an example of such initiatives we could mention the proposal made during the Prague Forum in May 2010 on establishing OSCE-UNECE annual Inland Transport Security Discussion Forum.

Mr. Chairman,

As a landlocked country Azerbaijan is taking appropriate, consistent and effective measures aimed at to overcome the burdens of remoteness and from world markets as well as other regional challenges of geographical and political nature.

My country considers the capacity building of the current transport and transit environment of OSCE participating states as one of priority areas for further joint actions. We should consider that many countries of our region are landlocked and joint activities should be also in line with the goals of the Almaty Programme of Action.

Development of overall economic ties in the OSCE region is impossible without efficient and secure transport and communications network operations. One of the main goals of regional security is to ensure supply security which in turn depends on reliable and efficient transport routes. Continuous discussions on these issues along with proper follow-ups will undoubtedly assist in tackling changing challenges and will raise the profile of the Second dimension in whole.

Thank you.