SILK WIND
BLOCK TRAIN OF INTERMODAL TRANSPORT

TRACECA National Secretariat of Kazakhstan
Logistic Processes and Motorways of the Sea II Project
SILK WIND BLOCK TRAIN PROJECT

PROJECT GOALS AND ADVANTAGES

Main goal: creation of fast container block-train route with advanced electronic exchange of information to attract traffic to the Europe-Caucasus-Asia corridor with door-to-door services.

Route: China-Kazakhstan-Caspian Sea-Black Sea

Member-countries: PRC-Republic of Kazakhstan-Republic of Azerbaijan-Georgia–Turkey

Advantages:
direct connection between large cargo-generating countries (PRC, Turkey);
simplified customs and border-crossing procedures;
reduced transit time and travel time;
reduced negative impact on environment;

Length: 4688 km (existing) 3723 km (according to new construction Zhezkazgan-Beineu)

Travel time: 16 days (existing), 12 days (new)

Time spent at border entry points: 3-12 hrs. (existing), 30 min-3 hrs. (PIES)
MEMBER-COUNTRIES OF PROPOSED SILK WIND PROJECT

China-Kazakhstan-Azerbaijan-Georgia-Turkey
ROUTE BLOCK-TRAINS IN TRACECA

Today more than 1.5 million tones of freight are transported from Turkey to Central Asia through Novorossiysk and Volga Don Channel, and more than 2 million tones of freight are being transported from Turkey and transit freight through Turkey to Central Asia though Iran, i.e. bypassing TRACECA.

More than 10 thousand TEU per year - Import/Export from Kazakhstan

More than 40 thousand TEU per year – Export from China and transit through Kazakhstan
SILK WIND BLOCK TRAIN ROUTE

PRC – Republic of Kazakhstan – Caspian Sea – Black Sea

LEGEND

Existing rail road

Silk Wind
North-South Corridor
TRACECA Corridor

EUROPE

AFRICA

PRC

ZHEZKAZGAN-BEINEU RAIL ROAD

Dostyk

Altynkol

AKTAU PORT

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Customs registration of Silk Wind transit block-train (proposed Kazakhstan procedures)

**Existing procedures 6+**

- Large amount of operators (Declarants)
- Time spend to complete electronic copy of Customs Declaration
- Time spend to correct mistakes
- Time for processing due to absence of information in Customs
- Application of hard copy of Customs Declaration

**Required actions**

- Creation of Single operator (Declarant)
- Creation of Electronic Information Exchange System between participants of transportation process
- Introduction of information exchange system between Customs and Operator
- Introduction of Electronic Information Exchange System in Customs
- Application of SMGS or CIM/SMGS

**Expected results**

- Single Declarant in Kazakhstan
- Substantially reduced time due to received information from partners
- Integrated information system between Customs and Operator
- Advance risk assessment
- Application of SMGS or CIM/SMGS as Customs Declaration

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# SILK WIND PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

## Action Plan

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