**Informatīvā ziņojuma Pielikums Nr.2 –**

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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**BETWEEN**

**THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LATVIA**

**AND**

**THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT OF THE PEOPLE`S REPUBLIC OF CHINA**

**ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COORDINATING SECRETARIAT OF TRANSPORT AND LOGISTICS COOPERATION BETWEEN CHINA AND CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES**

The Ministry of Transport of the Republic of Latvia and the Ministry of Transport of the People's Republic of China (hereinafter referred to as the Participants),

In order to strengthen the relations between China and Central and Eastern European Countries in the field of transport and logistics, The Participants have decide on the following:

**Paragraph 1**

The Participants support the establishment of a Coordinating Secretariat of transport and logistics in Riga, capital of the Republic of Latvia. The Coordinating Secretariat, which will be set within the Ministry of Transport of the Republic of Latvia, will act as an executive body on coordination of cooperation in transport and logistics.

**Paragraph 2**

The Participants decide that the Secretariat shall play an important role in promoting cooperation in transport and logistics between China and Central and Eastern European Countries (hereinafter CEEC) through:

1. Coordinating and planning of initiatives and practical cooperation in transport and logistics between China and CEECs;
2. Developing, coordinating and promoting the relations between the Ministry of Transport of the People's Republic of China and the respective Ministries responsible for transport and logistics of the CEECs;
3. Creation of the Information Platform (web page) with information on main cooperation documents between China and CEECs in transport and logistics, transport infrastructure in China and CEECs, cooperation projects, services and opportunities in transport and logistics in China and CEECs;
4. Organizing Annual Transport minister`s meetings of China and CEECs on cooperation issues in transport and logistics;
5. Preparing and providing reports on the progress of cooperation in transport and logistics for the Annual Summits of the Prime Ministers of China and CEECs;
6. Providing all necessary information on cooperation in transport and logistics, including exchange of contacts, for public and private partners from China and CEECs, as well as international transport and logistics organizations and business associations.

**Paragraph 3**

The Participants could encourage public institutions and organizations, as well as private business associations of transport and logistics from China and CEECs to cooperate and work together with the Coordinating Secretariat to share information and making proposals on the development of transport connectivity and logistics opportunities between China and CEECs, paying particular attention on the development of overland transport routes and container train traffic between China and CEECs.

**Paragraph 4**

This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter Memorandum) sets out the intention and the understanding of the Participants to work together for the establishment of a Coordinating Secretariat and is not intended to establish legal obligations at national or international law level between the Participants.

**Paragraph 5**

Upon its establishment, Coordinating Secretariat will adopt its own agenda of the activities.

**Paragraph 6**

This Memorandum shall come into effect on the day of its signing. The Memorandum may be amended only by the written consent of the two Participants and the amendments shall become an integral part of this Memorandum.

**Paragraph 7**

1. This Memorandum shall be in force indefinitely. Either Party may terminate the Memorandum by sending a written notice to the other Party. The Memorandum shall cease to have effect within six month after receipt of the notice.
2. The termination of this Memorandum shall not affect the validity or duration of any agreement, project or activities made under this Memorandum until the completion of such agreements, projects or activities, unless the Participants agree thereto.

Signed at ………on…….2015 in duplicate, in Latvian, Chinese and English. All texts being equally valid. In case of divergence of interpretation of this Memorandum of Understanding the English text shall prevail.

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