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**ACTIVITIES AND DEVELOPMENTS IN UNECE MEMBER COUNTRIES,
OF UNECE BODIES AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS OF INTEREST
TO THE WORKING PARTY**

New developments in the field of combined transport in Hungary 2001-2002

Transmitted by the Government of Hungary

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I. Development of combined traffic in year 2001

All the three kinds of combined transport being in usage in Hungary increased their traffic in 2001 as figures in the enclosed table show.

- Ro-La traffic extended by 9% mostly due to the increase in relation from/to terminal at the south-eastern end of the country towards Austria as negative effects of the Balkan crisis on carrying by trucks have eased down.
20 shuttle trains run in this traffic per year for the time being.
- Ro-Ro traffic increased by 12% last year, in result of the measures to divert heavy lorries from the roads in long distance international traffic.
1 ship carries the trucks between Budapest and Passau, Germany, weekly, for now.
- Unaccompanied traffic declined slightly by 2% in net weight but by 12% in TEU, which demonstrates the negative effect of the recession in foreign trade of the region.

Recently 60 block trains are in service in a week in 13 international relations.

II. Support to the combined transport from the State in year 2002

In 2000 the Hungarian State Budget has been turned into a system of two years periods. That means that the grants from the State have been provided for two years also to the combined transport.

Namely, 1,3 billion HUF (cca. 4,5 million USD) is addressed to it both for 2001 and 2002 and a doubling, cca. 2,7 billion HUF (10,1 million USD) is foreseen for 2003.

These provisions serve as contributions

- to construct a new terminal,
- to upgrade four existing terminals,
- to purchase 50 special wagons of Hungarian production for Ro-La traffic.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE COMBINED TRANSPORT IN HUNGARY

Kinds of Traffic/Relations	Number of trucks carried			2001/2002
	1992	2000	2001	
Ro-La				
Szeged-Wels (Austria)	16, 180	35,154	50,317	143
Sopron-Wels (Austria)	-	52,798	54,303	103
Szeged-Sezana (Slovenia)	-	7,015	5,529	78
Budapest-Wels (Austria)	-	7,238	934	13 ¹
Total	16, 180	102,235	111,083	109
% in total number of foreign trucks in transit		13,4		
Ro-Ro				
Budapest-Passau (Germany)	1,767	13,213	14, 810	112
Total	1,767	13,213	14, 810	112
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000 tons	995	2, 390	2,354	98
% in total international freight carried by the national railway	3,4	8,3	8,7	
TEU	104, 700	295, 220	258, 570	82

¹ The service was stopped because of access difficulties in Budapest