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European Agreement on Main International Railway Lines**Amendment proposal for annex I of the European Agreement on Main International Railway Lines****Submitted by Georgia****I. Introduction**

1. Railway infrastructure on the territory of Georgia, including the new Kars-Akhalkalaki railway line, which has been put into operation in a test mode, is to serve as an important railway transit line between Europe and Asia. In addition, several other railway projects have been implemented on the territory of Georgia recently, which have significantly improved Georgia's railway infrastructure.
2. Accordingly, the inclusion of the line Kars-Akhalkalaki in the European Agreement on Main International Railway Lines (AGC) will allow European and Asian carriers to consider additional routing opportunities when organizing freight transportation between Europe and Asia or vice-versa.
3. In particular, the line E 692 Kars-Tbilisi and E 60 Tbilisi-Baku railway is considered to be an integral part of the New Silk Road, the main purpose of which is to connect China and Central Asian countries with Turkey and the European countries.
4. Based on this, we consider it expedient to differentiate the E 692 segment Kars-Akhalkalaki - Tbilisi from the segment Kars - Dogu Kapi - Akhuryan - Gyumri - Ayrum - Sadakhlo - Tbilisi.

II. Proposed amendment

Annex I Railway lines of major international importance

I. Numbering of lines at the European level

West-East

Add:

E 690 Kars – Akhalkalaki – Tbilisi

Replace:

E 692 Cetinkaya — Kars — $\frac{\text{Akhalkalaki}}{\text{Dogu Kapi — Akhuryan — Gyumri — Ayrum — Sadakhlo}}$ — Tbilisi

by:

E 692 Cetinkaya — Kars — Dogu Kapi — Akhuryan — Gyumri — Ayrum — Sadakhlo — Tbilisi

II. Numbering of lines at the national level

(33) Turkey

Add:

E 690 Kars (*– Akhalkalaki*)

Replace:

E 692 Cetinkaya — Kars — $\frac{\text{Dogu Kapi (– Akuryan)}}{(\text{– Akhalkalaki})}$

by:

E 692 Cetinkaya – Erzurum – Kars– Dogu Kapi (– Akhuryan)

(37) Georgia

Add:

E 690 (Kars –) Akhalkalaki – Tbilisi

Replace:

E 692 $\frac{(\text{Ayrum –}) \text{ Sadakhlo}}{(\text{Kars –}) \text{ Akhalkalaki}}$ — Tbilisi

by:

E 692 (Aurum –) Sadakhlo – Tbilisi.
