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A. P. Yatsenyuk,  
Prime Minister of Ukraine

Re: Draft Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine  
on establishment of Interagency Working Group for  
International Trade and Logistics Facilitation

Dear Arseniy Petrovych,

In pursuance of Resolutions of the Government of Ukraine since 2011 the Interagency Working Group for Implementation of the “Single Window – Local Solution” Technology in the Operations Area of Pivdenna Customs and Ports of Odessa Region has successfully been function. The Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine had more than once been informed about the positive results of its activities and the course of the corresponding project implementation.

At the same time, the participants of the current Meeting of the Group that took place some time ago noted that in connection with the obligations of Ukraine undertaken in December 2013 when signing the WTO Agreement of Trade Facilitation the activities of the Interagency Working Group require reformatting and transformation for the purpose of achieving new goals, in particular, development and implementation of the National Strategy for International Trade and Logistics Facilitation.

M. Apostolov, Regional Adviser of the UN Economic Commission for Europe, supported the thought and suggested that the work on the development of the Interagency Working Group should be continued towards its further restructuring into a national body for trade facilitation in accordance with Recommendation 14 of UN CEFAC.

As provided by the said Recommendation it is expedient that the governments of the countries organize and maintain a national authority comprising a balance number of the private and public sectors representatives for the purpose of:

- Identifying the problems negatively affecting the costs and efficiency of the foreign of their countries;
- Developing measures towards decrease of costs and increase of efficiency of international trade;
- Providing assistance in carrying out such events;
- Performing the functions of the national coordination centre for collection and circulation of the information about advanced practices in the sphere of the international trade facilitation; and
- Participating in the international efforts to further facilitate the procedures and increase the efficiency of trade.

In this connection the initiative group has developed and held the preliminary discussion at the professional level on the Draft Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine “On

Establishment of the Interagency Working Group for International Trade and Logistics Facilitation” (please find it attached hereto), which has received the preliminary agreement of most involved ministries and authorities, and will be presented to the Ministry of Economic Development and Trade.

In consideration of the requirements of the Regulations of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine approved by the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine on 18.07.2007 as # 950, we request to entrust the Ministry of Economic Development and Trade with introducing the above Draft Resolution in accordance with the established procedure.

Enclosure:

1. Draft Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine “On Establishment of the Interagency Working Group for International Trade and Logistics Facilitation” on nine pages.

2. Explanatory Note to the Draft Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine “On Establishment of the Interagency Working Group for International Trade and Logistics Facilitation” on four pages.

13 pages altogether.

Respectfully yours,

*Signed*

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