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Ref.: notification according to the Espoo Convention regarding “*development of the Hungarian section of Budapest-Belgrade railway line*” project

Dear Ms. Ivanovic,

Based on the provision of the *Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context* (the Espoo Convention), please, be informed that *Magyar Államvasutak Zrt. (Hungarian State Railway Company)* as proponent has submitted the Environmental Impact Assessment Report of “*development of the Hungarian section of Budapest-Belgrade railway line*” project (hereinafter referred to as: *Budapest-Belgrade railway line* project) to the competent Hungarian environmental authority (Government Office of Bács-Kiskun County / Bács-Kiskun Megyei Kormányhivatal), herewith the **Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) procedure for Budapest-Belgrade railway line project has been started.**

Since the proposed activity is listed in Appendix I point 7.a of the Espoo Convention the EIA procedure for *Budapest-Belgrade railway line* project is mandatory.

Although, **transboundary environmental impact of the proposed activity, affecting the territory of Serbia is not expected**, nevertheless, Espoo notification is sending to the Serbian Party due to the fact that the track of *Budapest-Belgrade railway line* project reaches the state border of Serbia.

In line with the regulation of Article 3 (1) of the Espoo Convention, the complete Environmental Impact Assessment Report (with its all annexes) of *Budapest-Belgrade railway line* project in Hungarian language is publicly available on the official web site of the competent Hungarian environmental authority:

<https://bacs-filr.kh.gov.hu/ssf/s/readFile/share/1784/8659136016145095884/publicLink/BUBE.ZIP>

(under "BUBE" zip documentation)

in addition, **the Serbian translation of the non-technical summary, as well as the chapter on the transboundary impacts of the EIA Report can also be found** on the official web site of the competent authority:

https://bacs-filr.kh.gov.hu/ssf/s/readFile/share/1785/6456658232334400267/publicLink/KHT_Kozertheto_osszefoglalo%20es%20Nemzetkozi_fejezet.zip.

(under "KHT_Kozertheto_osszefoglalo es Nemzetkozi_fejezet" zip documentation).

Please, inform us on your decision whether the Serbian Party intends to participate in the transboundary EIA procedure of *Budapest-Belgrade railway line* project according to the Espoo convention by 8 April 2021, at the latest. In case of participation, please, deliver your comments regarding the Environmental Impact Assessment Report, as well.

We look forward to your kind reply.

Yours sincerely,



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Annex: Serbian translation of the non-technical summary and the chapter on the transboundary impacts of the EIA Report of Budapest-Belgrade railway line project