MINISTERIAL CONCLUSIONS

of the meeting of Ministers responsible for regional development of the Visegrad Four countries, Bulgaria and Romania held in Budapest (Hungary) on the 29th of March, 2010

We, Ministers responsible for regional development of the Governments of the Republic of Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Poland, Romania and the Slovak Republic

Welcome the spatial development co-ordination among our countries (V4+2 countries), of which an important milestone was the ministerial meeting held in Prague on the 4th of June, 2008 and the Conclusions agreed there. We highly appreciate the process started, that contributes to the recognition of spatial politics of these countries, to the preparation of harmonising these politics and to define the common interests and goals of the region.

Appreciate the results that have been achieved during the co-operation of the V4+2 countries, the efforts made in preparing the "common spatial development document" that contributes to the deepening of our spatial development co-operation.

Recognise the coordinative work of the Steering Group composed of the representatives of ministries of the involved countries and expressing our acknowledgements to the representatives of the Czech Republic for the co-ordination role in the work done so far of the preparation of the "common spatial development document".

Express our will to continue and widen the ongoing spatial development co-operation in the long run in order to strengthen the inner cohesion and to deepen the EU integration of the V4+2 countries. Co-operation may be extended to other neighbouring states in the future.

Regarding the above statements we have agreed on the following conclusions:

- 1. We commit ourselves to **consider** the results achieved in the work done so far during the co-ordination of national documents for spatial development. We also commit ourselves to inform each other about changes in these documents or any other changes concerning national spatial development policies.
- 2. We invite the Steering Group
 - to put emphasis on the importance of the **solution of no-continuations** of different levels in order to identify suggestions on V4+2 level development axes and transport networks,
 - to formulate the V4+2 countries' common spatial development strategy in European context.

3. We appeal to the ministers of transport of the V4+2 countries to consider the outputs of the "common spatial development document" as a background during the revision of the TEN-T network and their national transport policies.

Signed in Budapest on the 29th of March 2010, in six copies, in English language.

On behalf of

the Republic of Bulgaria

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