## ICC Ukraine, International Chamber of Commerce

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A. P. Yatsenyuk,Prime Minister of Ukraine

Re: Outcomes of the Fourth UNECE Seminar

Dear Arseniy Petrovych,

This is to inform you that on 27.05.2014 within the framework of the Annual Transport Week in Odessa the *Fourth International Seminar on Trade Facilitation "Creating Favourable Environment for Trade Facilitation by Implementing 'Single Window' Principles in Ukraine"* organised under the auspices of the UN Economic Commission for Europe and supported by the Government of Ukraine.

In pursuance of you Commission dated 20.05.2014 \$ 16400/1/1-14 the Seminar was attended by the Minister of Infrastructure of Ukraine, representatives of a number of ministries and authorities of Ukraine, and activists the Ukrainian and foreign business circles.

Being invited by the Ukrainian National Committee under the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC Ukraine) the representatives of such international organisations as UN Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) and Organisation of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC) also joined the Seminar.

During the seminar opening the participants were addressed with the welcoming words of support by R. V. Koshulynskyi, Deputy Chairman of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.

Both the reporters and participants of the discussion repeatedly emphasized that the course for implementing the principles of the UN Recommendations and the best practices in such ultrasensitive sphere as international trade chosen by the Government of Ukraine meets the challenges of today and the citizens' desire of making Ukraine a powerful state with a high level of economic freedom and competitiveness at the global market.

In addition, the participants of the Seminar acknowledged as efficient the recommendations of the last-year *Third International UNECE Seminar for International Trade Facilitation "Trade Facilitation in Ukraine. The "Single Window – Local Solution" Project in Odessa. Achievements and New Challenges*" held on 30.05.2013 and noted the substantial progress in the said Project implementation in Ukraine.

As a result of the discussion the participants of the Fourth International Seminar also produced specific recommendations concerning determining the areas of strategic development of Ukraine in the field of trade and logistics facilitation, which will be addressed at the next Meeting of the Interagency Working Group for "Single Window – Local Solution" on 19.06.2014 and directed to you.

Besides, a high level of the event proved the responsible attitude of the leaders of the state bodies of Ukraine to the set tasks in spite of the complex internal situation, which gives rise to confidence in their due understanding of the decisions adopted by the whole forum.

Dear Arseniy Petrovych, in the name of all participants of the Seminar we would like to express our gratitude for your kind understanding of and assistance to the activities of the business community aimed at strengthening of this state.

At the same we request you to entrust us we the preparation and sending a letter to the leaders of the UN Economic Commission for Europe expressing our gratitude for their assistance in organising such a seminar exactly in Ukraine and just in such difficult time, which reflects their attention to and support of our desire to prove that Ukraine is a reliable partner, equal among equals in the world family of free nations (please find the draft letter enclosed).

Enclosure: draft letter to UNECE on \_\_\_\_\_ pages.

Respectfully yours,

*Signed* V. I. Schelkunov, President of ICC Ukraine, Adviser of Prime Minister of Ukraine

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