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National Pact for the Development of Road Infrastructure

**We, representatives of the undersigned parliamentary political parties,
institutions and organizations,**

Aware that Romania is confronted with major long term risks in the field of transportation in general and, in particular, of road infrastructure development, due to lack of commitment and consistent measures;

Concerned with the significant gaps between Romania and other European Union member countries in terms of motorway and national road network per area and population;

Firmly convinced that in the absence of coherent actions and measures consistent with the goals set in various strategies, the current situation remains unchanged, deepening the gaps and significantly affecting Romania's development in the long run;

Realizing the positive impact a proper and adequate road infrastructure has on Romania's economy and the local communities,

solemnly commit ourselves that, as part of our future actions for the development of Romania's road infrastructure network, we will take all measures and support all actions to achieve the following goals:

A. Strategy

1. Review and update the existent National Territory Organization Plan – Section I Transport Networks, approved by Law no. 363/ 2006 based on the current situation and forecast developments.

Consequently, implementation of the updated version will represent our common goal.

2. Review the Transport Master Plan and all relevant sectoral strategies, in order to support the implementation of coherent actions that will ensure the development of infrastructure.

B. Legal framework

A solid legal framework represents the basis for ensuring a transparent and non-discriminating process.

We will ensure our full support to the Romanian National Company of Motorways and National Roads (or its legal successor) in the actions initiated to induce and support an appropriate progress of motorways and public roads construction programs/ projects, including without limitation:

- promotion of bills of law aiming to create or amend the existing legal framework or the specific conditions for securing the funding needed for the progress of road infrastructure projects, including all related activities;
- amending existing pieces of legislation to simplify the procedures either by reducing the time or the steps required for the implementation of the such programs/ projects;
- finalize the legal procedures already initiated for entrusting concession contracts or otherwise relating to the development of the Romania's Roads Infrastructure and avoiding any delays or unnecessary changes.

C. Romania's Roads Network Development Plan

1. We will make as our common goal to secure the necessary funding for 2009-2014 from the state budget and other sources, supporting proper progress of ongoing motorways and roads construction programs, including without limitation, (i) progress of construction works, according to the contracts signed/ to be signed for that particular purpose, (ii) land expropriations needed for construction of respective roads, (iii) preparation of technical design(s) etc.; Support all eligible beneficiaries to develop projects that can ensure accessing funds through Sectoral Operational Programme –Transport.

2. Establishing an intergovernmental supervision and support committee to monitor the progress of projects and facilitate resolution of issues arising, should those issues require a resolution by means of the implication of at least one Romanian public institution, apart from the Romanian National Company of Motorways and National Roads or the Ministry of Transportation, or their legal successors, will represent a common desiderate.

D. Budget

We will take all measures to allocate the necessary level of funding through state funds and support the companies to develop and implement projects financed through other sources of finance.

The above-referenced aspects are our declared and firm goals.

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