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to the Commission**

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Subject: Enquiry into the feasibility of building a new express road as part of the TEN-T network

The Pomorskie and Kujawsko-Pomorskie provinces have growing economic potential, but their continued development requires modern road infrastructure.

The construction of a new express road linking Słupsk, Bytów, Chojnice and Bydgoszcz, with a variant starting in Ustka, would bring a number of benefits: reduced travel time, improved safety and increased comfort of travel. The investment would have a positive impact on economic development, tourism and traffic management, especially in terms of environmentally friendly solutions. Preparations for the construction of the new road should start now so that construction can begin in the next few years. The S6 expressway is currently nearing completion. There is therefore a real opportunity to get a new project under way now.

Therefore, it is of crucial importance to examine the possibility of including the project in the TEN-T network and to apply for EU support. In this connection:

1. Could this project be included in the TEN-T network as part of the Baltic-Adriatic Corridor, given the importance of such a road for improving regional cohesion and economic development in the Pomorskie and Kujawsko-Pomorskie provinces and for strengthening economic, social and territorial cohesion between the north and south of the EU?
2. In the Commission's view, is this project eligible to receive EU funds?
3. Would the carrying out of a 'corridor study' be useful in helping the Commission reach a decision in this matter?

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