Railway Cooperation between Japan and Russia

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Japanese Railway-related Companies

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- ◆Kawasaki Heavy Industries
- Hitachi
- **♦ Mitsubishi Heavy Industries**
- ◆Toshiba
- Mitsubishi Electric
- **♦Nippon Sharyo**

General Trading and Investing Companies

- Mitsui & Co.
- **♦** Mitsubishi Corporation
- **♦Itochu**
- **♦** Sumitomo Corporation
- ◆Marubeni
- ◆Toyota Tsusho
- **♦**Sojitz

Strengths of Japan's Railroad-related Companies

- Excellent advanced technologies
- Excellent quality and reliability of products
- Environment-friendly technologies such as lightweight, easily recycled products

Examples of Activities by Japanese Companies in Russia

◆Transportation Service

Trans-Siberia Railway

♦ Construction of freight car factories

Kanash, Chuvash Republic

◆Provision of rail-related products such as rails

For the railway from Moscow to Helsinki via Saint Petersburg

Bidding for urban railway network

Nadzemny Express in Saint Petersburg

Recent Progress in Discussions between the Governments

June 2007 Initiative on Strengthening the

Relationship between Japan and

Russia in the Far East and East

Siberian Region

July 2007 1st Meeting on Railway Cooperation

between Japan and Russia

November 2007 2nd Meeting on Railway Cooperation

between Japan and Russia

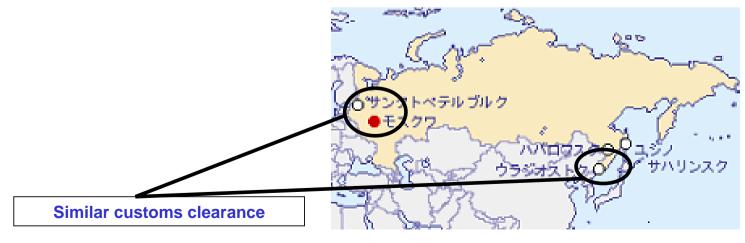
March 2008 1st Working Group Meeting regarding

Railway Cooperation between Japan

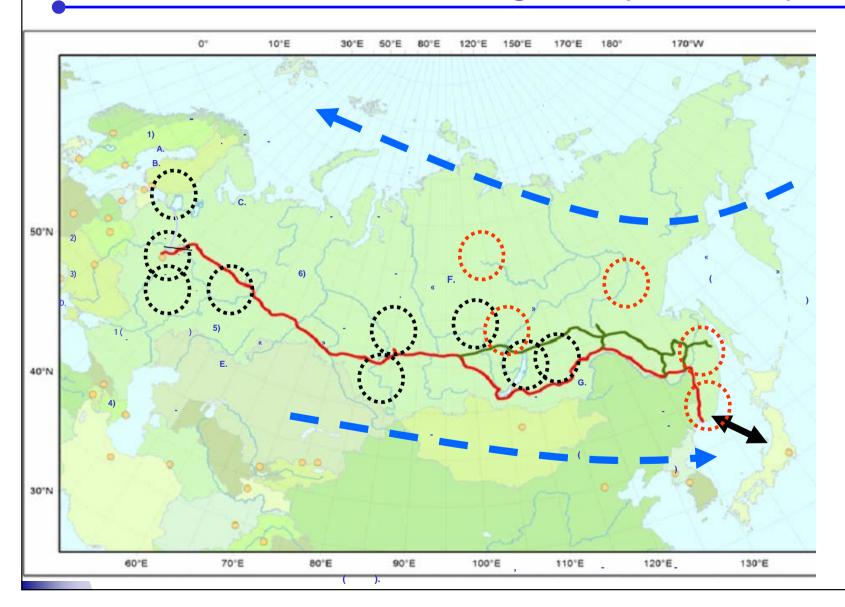
and Russia

Logistics and Freight Railways

- ♦ In order to strengthen the transport capacity of the Siberia Railway, which will be beneficial to both Japan and Russia, several issues are under discussion.
- Time and fee of Customs clearance for transit
- Different interpretation of rules by officials
- Strict Customs procedures and complicated documentation



Eurasia Industrial Investment Bridge Plan (Provisional)



High-speed Railway

- In order to strengthen their bilateral cooperation, Japan and Russia are discussing several items, including the following:
 - Detailed information on individual projects
 - Technological conditions for high-speed railways in Russia
 - Profitability of high-speed railways in Russia

Summary

- Japan's railway-related companies, which have excellent technology and product quality, already have a business presence in Russia.
- ◆ The Japanese and Russian Governments have been implementing meetings on railway cooperation, in order to strengthen their bilateral cooperation.
- ◆ A close exchange of information between the two governments as well as both private sectors is essential.

Thank you for your kind attention!

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