

## **TNT Express starts international road freight and parcel delivery service to four eastern and central European countries**

*Belarus, Moldova, Macedonia and Albania connect*

New Delhi, Delhi, June 16, 2009 /[India PRwire](http://www.indiaprwire.com)/ -- TNT Express has started international road connections to Belarus, Moldova, Macedonia, and Albania. The new routes allow for a significant upgrade to the company's Economy Express service to and from these countries.

With the new connectivity, customers of TNT Express now benefit from an economical, day-definite, customs cleared, door-to-door delivery service for parcels and freight weighing up to 500 kg palletised per piece. This is a major increase from the previous 30 kg per-piece weight limit.

The four new routes add to the 35 European countries already covered by TNT's Express Road Network, making it the largest fully integrated express road network in Europe.

"We have filled in some of the last remaining blanks in TNT's road coverage of Europe," says Ben Klaassen, Managing Director of TNT's Express Road Network. "Express volumes may still seem modest in these countries but they have picked up fast in recent years and so it was time to extend our connectivity."

TNT will use Bucharest (Romania) as the hub connecting Moldova to the rest of Europe and the world. Warsaw (Poland) will act as a hub connecting Belarus. Sofia (Bulgaria) will serve as a hub for shipments moving in and out Macedonia and Albania.

TNT's Economy Express service to and from these countries is available for customers worldwide, and provides day definite transit times of 4-8 days typically, depending on the distance.

"We continue to move ahead with expansions in emerging European economies," says JanWillem Breen, Director Marketing & Sales of TNT Express. "TNT recently upgraded its service to Ukraine, Malta and Cyprus. We are now reinforcing connections with countries neighboring the EU in the east and in the south to provide our customers with the most economical express service for their parcels and freight."

In 2008, TNT Express was the first integrator to open a road connection to Ukraine and a road-ferry connection with Malta. Prior to that, TNT extended its road network to Morocco, creating the first road link with northern Africa.

### **Notes to Editor**

#### **About TNT**

TNT provides businesses and consumers worldwide with an extensive range of services for their mail and express delivery needs. Headquartered in the Netherlands, TNT offers efficient network infrastructures in Europe and Asia and is expanding operations worldwide to maximise its network performance. TNT serves more than 200 countries and employs more than 163,000 people. Over 2008, TNT reported €11.1 billion in revenues and an operating income of €982million. TNT is officially quoted on the Amsterdam Stock Exchange. TNT recognises its social responsibility and has formed partnerships with the United Nations World Food Programme and the United Nations Environment Programme to fight hunger and pollution in the world. Our efforts are being recognised: in 2008 TNT again reached the highest score of all companies included in the Dow Jones Sustainability Index and in the Carbon Disclosure Project in the carbon intensive sector.