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Press Release

Bangladesh joins the Trans-Asian Railway Network Agreement.

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On behalf of the Government of Bangladesh, Her Excellency Ms. Ismat Jahan, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations, has signed the "Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network," today morning at the United Nations Headquarters, New York.

The Trans-Asian Railway Network Agreement is a project of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) to create a transcontinental railway network across Europe and Asia. The agreement initially was signed on 10 November 2006, in Jakarta, Indonesia by 18 (eighteen) countries. With Bangladesh's joining the agreement, the number has been increased to 20 (twenty).

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