



UNITED NATIONS



Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

SE201082

11 December 2020

Dear Mr. de Pretto,

I refer to your kind communication in which you asked ECLAC's support in bringing your call and research finding to the attention of the governmental members to ensure that the road transport industry will be able to survive and drive the economic recovery in response to the COVID19 pandemic.

In this respect, I would like to inform you that ECLAC is already effectively considering the importance of the land transport sector and its workers in the policy recommendations that is making to the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean.

This topic was included in ECLAC's Special Report COVID-19 No. 6 "The effects of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic on international trade and logistics" (<https://www.cepal.org/en/publications/45878-effects-coronavirus-disease-covid-19-pandemic-international-trade-and-logistics>) as well as in the recommendations of our next flagship "International Trade Outlook for Latin America and the Caribbean", which should be published during December 2020 (<https://www.cepal.org/en/publications/type/international-trade-outlook-latin-america-and-caribbean>).

I take this opportunity to express the assurances of my highest consideration.



Alicia Bárcena
Executive Secretary

Mr. Umberto de Pretto
Secretary General
International Road Transport Union (IRU)
Geneva, Switzerland