

OFFICIAL INFORMATION

submitted by the Republic of Moldova regarding damage caused by military attacks by the Russian Federation, which impede free and safe navigation in the Lower Danube region

for inclusion in the Register of Damage of the Danube Commission

As a result of ongoing military actions carried out by the Russian Federation in the vicinity of the Lower Danube region and in other adjacent areas, including attacks on port and transport infrastructure, a persistent situation has developed that directly affects the safety and free navigation on the Danube River, for vessels and passengers, as well as for the planning of commercial and tourist activities in the Republic of Moldova.

International tourist cruises along the Danube are scheduled annually in the Republic of Moldova, with itineraries that include calls at the Giurgiulești Passenger and Cargo Port (Republic of Moldova). Due to the ongoing military actions of the Russian Federation in the Lower Danube region, these cruises are being cancelled or revised to exclude calls at the Moldovan port, thereby limiting the effective use of the waterway.

In addition to the direct threat to the safety of the population in the region, the impact of these actions on freedom of navigation results in economic damage to the state, including:

- *decrease in river passenger traffic;*
- *decrease in revenues from port activities, mooring fees and navigation-related services;*
- *economic losses in the tourism sector and related services;*
- *decline in the flow of foreign tourists;*
- *damage to the image of the Republic of Moldova as a safe destination for inland navigation and tourism;*
- *restraint of investment in port infrastructure (passenger terminal);*
- *damage to the predictability and planning of international navigation activities for passenger ships in the Lower Danube sector.*

The extent of the aforementioned (direct or indirect) damage to the Republic of Moldova is difficult to assess.

In this context, the information presented below reflects only a part of the direct damage **caused to passenger transport** as a result of military attacks by the Russian Federation in the Lower Danube region, as reported by the competent authorities of the Republic of Moldova based on official statistics for 2022-2025 (in terms of cancelled passenger voyages and foregone state revenue).

The information includes only data provided by the State Enterprise “Ungheni River Port”, which manages port operations at the Giurgiulești Passenger and Cargo Port and is an integral part of the international river transport corridors used for commercial and passenger shipping.

Period	Completed Passenger Voyages			Cancelled Passenger Voyages		
	Number of Vessels	Number of Passengers	Revenue (USD)	Number of Vessels	Approx. Number of Passengers	Revenue Foregone (USD)
2022	10	687	7962	2	300	1632
2023	8	1139	7400	5	750	4680
2024-2025	0	0	0	24	3600	25920
Total				31	4650	32232