

## PRESS RELEASE

### **Presentation of Letters of Credence by new Representative of Turkey to Danube Commission**

On 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017, His Excellency Mr. Ahmet Akif OKTAY, Ambassador of Turkey to Hungary presented letters of Credence in the capacity of the Representative of Turkey, as observer state, to the Danube Commission.

The solemn ceremony was held at the premises of the Danube Commission in the presence of the Vice President of the Danube Commission, Director – General of the Secretariat, Deputy Director – General for Administrative and Financial Issues, Deputy Director – General for Development for Danube Navigation, Counsellor for legal issues, Counsellor for navigation and Counsellor for publications and public relations.

On this occasion the Representative of Turkey as observer state have been informed of the current situation of the activities and development prospects for the Danube navigation, regarding the projects and initiatives of the Danube Commission, regarding the outgoing revising process of the Belgrade Convention on the navigation on the Danube (1948) etc. The both parties discussed the possibility to cooperate for the benefit of the Danube navigation, to be active in the meetings and a special topic of the discussion was the 90-anniversary session of DC, to be held on 29 June 2018 in Belgrade.

Mr. OKTAY assured the Presidency of Danube Commission and Secretariat of his support, interest in carrying out the tasks assigned to the Danube Commission in accordance with the Belgrade Convention on the navigation on the Danube (1948).

