
1ST FREIGHT TRAINS DEPART FROM CHINA TO TÜRKİYE VIA MIDDLE CORRIDOR

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Two freight trains departed China for Türkiye on July 9, marking the first direct rail shipment under a new regular service connecting the cities of Chongqing and Chengdu with Europe via the Middle Corridor, the Transport and Infrastructure Ministry said earlier this week.

Transport Minister Abdulkadir Uralođlu said the launch represented a "new era" in the East-West logistics chain, adding: "These trains are the physical manifestations of Türkiye's vision for logistics on the Middle Corridor."

The trains, each carrying 2,000 metric tons of cargo, have already traveled about 3,500 kilometers (2,175 miles) within China and crossed into Kazakhstan, according to the minister. The route will continue through Central Asia and the Caspian Sea, entering Türkiye before reaching European destinations.

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