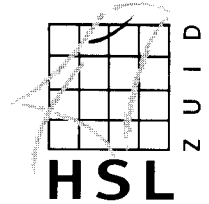


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Transport Contracts HSL-Zuid



NMBS

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Dear Mr. Pardon,

With reference to our fax message of the 31st of March, we would like to inform you of the decision by the Dutch Cabinet on the tender for the HSL-Zuid transport contracts. This decision was taken on Friday the 16th of June.

After careful consideration, following the Market Dialogue, the Cabinet has decided to proceed with the public tender of the national and international high-speed train services using the Dutch High Speed Line. This decision will be discussed in Parliament the next two weeks.

Next week we will get in touch with you to give you a first update on the tender procedure and identify potential future meetings.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Jeroen Kok', written over a horizontal line.

Jeroen Kok

Project Manager HSL-Zuid Transport

Date

16 June 2000

Your reference

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