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## **MAN Türkiye delivers 93 city buses to Belgrade**

- **Order comprises 75 articulated buses SG 313 and 18 solo buses SL 223**
- **Production within the scope of a Japanese government aid programme**
- **Largest delivery of articulated buses in the history of MAN**

Within the scope of an aid programme sponsored by the Japanese government, 93 new MAN buses were now handed over to the Belgrade Transit Authority by order of the bank "JICA-Japan's Credit". The Japanese main contractor, Nissho Iwai Co., awarded this subcontract to MAN Bus GmbH, now NEOMAN Bus GmbH. The 75 articulated and 18 solo buses were built in Turkey by MAN Türkiye A.Ş., and have been delivered during the first week of February.

Between 1998 and 2002, a total of ninety-nine MAN city buses were exported under this aid programme. Fifty SL 222 solo and ten SG 312 articulated buses went to Sarajevo, nine SG 312 articulated buses to Banja Luka and twenty-eight SL 223 solo plus two SG 313 articulated buses to Mostar in Bosnia-Herzegovina. The latest delivery brings the total of new MAN buses on Yugoslav and Bosnia-Herzegovinian roads effect on the trade relations between NEOMAN Bus GmbH and these two countries.

Overall exports of MAN Türkiye have constantly increased from 1994 onwards. For the year 2001, total exports of the Turkish NEOMAN daughter company reached a record high: 679 buses were exported, accounting for 92.5 million Euro in revenue. This trend continued in 2002, which brought export earnings of 102 million Euro.

After Hungary, Slovenia, Croatia, and the Czech Republic, MAN Türkiye has added two more Eastern European countries, Poland and Romania, to its articulated bus market. Following increased exports of travel coaches and municipal buses to Germany, Austria, France, Italy, and Denmark, sales to Norway, Iran, and Sweden were also expanded. MAN Türkiye is currently exporting to 35 countries.