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## **TAJIKISTAN SEEKS 2.55 MILLION TONS OF IRANIAN OIL AND FUEL AS RUSSIAN SUPPLIES FALTER**

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Tajikistan has asked Iran to supply 2.55 million metric tons of crude oil and petroleum products as Dushanbe looks for alternatives to increasingly unreliable Russian fuel supplies.

The request includes 2 million tons of crude oil, 300,000 tons of diesel, 150,000 tons of gasoline, and 100,000 tons of aviation fuel, according to Tajikistans Ministry of Transport. The ministry said the volume would require about 51,000 railway tank cars.

The proposal was discussed in Tehran on August 15 during talks between Tajik Transport Minister Azim Ibrohim and Irans Minister of Roads and Urban Development Farzaneh Sadegh. It is not yet a purchase agreement, and Tajikistan has not announced a delivery timetable, price, or supplier.

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