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In the current context of Ukraine, the Romanian National Gas Transmission Company, Transgaz SA Mediaș, as the technical operator of the Romanian National Gas Transmission System, is not technically prepared to facilitate gas exports before **2016-2017, at the earliest**, except for extremely low gas volumes **representing less than 1% of the domestic production** which could be delivered through Szeged-Arad pipeline under certain technical conditions to be met.

The first priority of Transgaz, in terms of interconnections between the National Gas Transmission System and the neighbouring gas transmission systems, is the completion of the interconnection with the Republic of Moldova, by Iasi-Ungheni pipeline.

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