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**PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE THIRTY-NINTH SESSION OF
THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ****

**to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva,
starting at 10.00 hours on Thursday, 6 October 2005 *****

* The reading of the report will take place on the 7 October 2005.

** The UNECE Transport Division has submitted the present document after the official documentation deadline due to planning oversight.

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

The UNECE Working Party on Customs Questions affecting Transport (WP.30) will hold its one-hundred-and-eleventh session in conjunction with the present session of the Administrative Committee from 4 to 7 October 2005. The agenda for the meeting is contained in document TRANS/WP.30/221 and may be obtained directly from the UNECE secretariat or from the UNECE TIR web site (<http://tir.unece.org>). Representatives of Contracting Parties to the TIR Convention, 1975, are strongly recommended to participate also in the sessions of the Working Party.

It is recalled that, according to Annex 8, Article 6 of the TIR Convention, 1975, "a quorum consisting of not less than one third of the States which are Contracting Parties is required for the purposes of taking decisions." As of 1 July 2005 the number of Contracting Parties to the Convention is sixty-five.

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1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Documentation: **TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/78; TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/69/Corr. 3.**

The Administrative Committee may wish to consider and adopt the agenda of its present session as prepared by the UNECE secretariat (TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/78).

The Committee may wish to recall that, at its thirty-eighth session, it decided to postpone the consideration of the question of the appointment of the TIR Secretary based on the report of its thirty-fourth session. The Committee may wish to consider documents TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/69/Corr.2 and 3, containing corrigenda to the report.

2. STATUS OF THE TIR CONVENTION, 1975

Documentation: TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/69.

The Committee will be informed of the situation concerning the geographical scope and the number of Contracting Parties to the TIR Convention, 1975. An up-to-date list of Contracting Parties to the Convention as well as of countries in which a TIR transit operation can be established is contained in the annex 1 to this agenda and is also available on the UNECE TIR web site (<http://tir.unece.org>). Contracting Parties may wish to verify these listings. Annex 1 also contains a list of national associations issuing and guaranteeing TIR Carnets.

Detailed information on the status of the Convention as well as on the various Depository Notifications is available on the UNECE TIR web site (<http://tir.unece.org>).

3. ACTIVITIES AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE TIR EXECUTIVE BOARD (TIRExB)

(a) Activities of the TIRExB

(i) Report by the Chairman of the TIRExB

Documentation: **TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/21; TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/20;
TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/19; TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/6.**

In accordance with Annex 8, Article 11, paragraph 4 of the Convention and in line with the decision of the Administrative Committee (TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/55, paras. 14-15), the UNECE secretariat has reproduced the reports of the TIRExB at twenty-fourth and twenty-fifth

sessions held in October 2004 and April 2005 respectively for information and endorsement by the Administrative Committee (TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/6 and TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/19).

Further information on recent activities of the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat as well as on the considerations and decisions taken at the twenty-sixth session (May 2005) of the TIRExB will be provided by the Chairman of the TIRExB during the session.

The Administrative Committee may wish to consider these reports and the supplementary information and provide guidance on future activities and priorities of work of the TIRExB. In this context the Administrative Committee may, in particular, wish to consider and approve the Programme of Work of the TIRExB for the years 2005-2006, as contained in document TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/20.

The Committee may also wish to consider document TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/21, prepared by the secretariat, containing the results of the survey of Contracting Parties on the application of Annex 9, Part II of the TIR Convention on controlled access to the TIR procedure for natural and legal persons.

(ii) **Identification (ID) number of the TIR Carnet holder and access to the International TIR Data Bank (ITDB)**

Documentation: TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/9; TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/8; TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/7; TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2004/17; TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2003/2; TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2001/13.

The Administrative Committee will be informed by the TIR Secretary on the current operation of the ITDB and on progress made in providing on-line access to authorized Customs TIR Focal Points for inquiry procedures.

The ITDB contains at present more than 35,000 persons/companies authorized by national Customs authorities to utilize the TIR procedure. It also contains information on persons excluded from the TIR procedure in accordance with Article 38 of the Convention. The requested data are provided, for the time being, only to Customs TIR Focal Points furnishing their personal user code.

The Administrative Committee may wish to recall, that at its previous sessions, it had urged all Contracting Parties to respect the provisions of Annex 9, Part II, paras. 4 and 5 of the Convention concerning transmission of ITDB data with a view that the ITDB becomes a value added tool for Customs authorities (TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/77, para. 15). In this context, the Committee may wish to be informed of the status of the transmission of data to the ITDB and to consider document TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/7, prepared by the secretariat providing an overview of the status of transmission of documents and data to the ITDB.

The Administrative Committee may wish to recall that at its thirty-eighth session, it had been informed that, the launch of the ITDBOnline application for access by TIR Customs Focal points has been prepared. The ITDBOnline had, however, not been finally launched as it had been necessary to modify the application in line with the decision taken by the Committee at the present session to introduce slashes in the presentation of the Identification (ID) Number of the TIR Carnet Holder. The Committee may wish to take note that the ITDB Online has been launched in June 2005. The Committee may wish to be informed of experience with use of the system, so far.

The Administrative Committee may also wish to recall that, at its thirty-eight session, it had considered document TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/3, prepared by the secretariat, containing proposals for (a) opening up the access to the ITDB to Customs officials other than the TIR Customs Focal Points and (b) providing additional information contained in the ITDB, such as information on exclusions and withdrawals. The Committee, after in-depth discussions, decided, for the time being to continue to restrict the access to TIR Customs Focal Points. The Committee, furthermore, decided to provide additional information on the status of authorizations, except exclusions, of TIR Carnet Holders in addition to the contact information already provided. Bearing in mind the issue of data protection, which is applicable in many countries, in particular in relation to establishing “black lists”, the Committee requested the secretariat to study in further detail the issue of providing information to TIR Customs Focal Points concerning exclusion of TIR Carnet Holders from the TIR procedure. Contracting Parties were requested to inform the secretariat of specific concerns that they may have in this context. The Committee may wish to review its decisions concerning this issue and to consider document TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/8, prepared by the secretariat, containing considerations concerning the issue of utilizing information concerning exclusions according Article 38 of the Convention.

Finally, the Administrative Committee may wish to recall that, at its thirty-sixth session, it had requested the secretariat to make a feasibility study of the possibilities to enable Customs authorities to update their “own” data online in ITDB (TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/73, para. 14). The Committee, at its thirty-seventh session had considered document TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2004/17, prepared by the TIR Secretary and had decided to request the secretariat to progress with preparing a business analysis of the project.

The Committee may wish to consider document TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/9, prepared by the secretariat.

(iii) National and regional TIR workshops and seminars

The Administrative Committee will be informed about the Sub-Regional TIR seminar organized in Beijing (China) by the TIR secretariat, on 22 and 23 September 2005. The Committee will also be informed about planned seminars.

(b) Financial administration of the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat

(i) Approval of the final accounts for the year 2004

Documentation: TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/10.

The Administrative Committee, at its spring session, took note that the final accounts of the TIRExB for the year 2004 were not yet available and decided to approve the accounts at the present session (TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/77, para. 21).

The Administrative Committee may wish to approve the final accounts of the TIRExB for the year 2004 as contained in document TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/10.

(ii) Status report on the accounts for the year 2005

Documentation: TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/11.

In accordance with Annex 8, Article 11, paragraph 4 of the Convention, the TIRExB shall submit audited accounts to the Administrative Committee at least once a year or at the request of the Administrative Committee.

Since the budget year will only be completed on 31 December 2005, financial statements showing the funds received and expended for the TIRExB in 2005, in line with the internal and external auditing procedures of the United Nations, are not yet available. However, in order to provide transparency about the functioning and financing of the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat, document TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/11 provides an overview of the financial situation of the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat as of 31 July 2005.

The complete and final accounts for 2005 will be submitted for approval by the Administrative Committee at one of its sessions in 2006.

(iii) Budget proposal and cost plan for the year 2006

Documentation: TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/17; TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/15;
TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/14.

In accordance with Annex 8, Article 13 of the Convention, the TIRExB has prepared a budget proposal and a cost plan providing for its operation in the year 2006. The budget proposal and cost plan, as contained in document TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/14, is expected to be finalized and approved by the TIRExB at its session in conjunction with the present meeting in October 2005. Modifications, if any, decided upon by the TIRExB at this session, will be reflected in a corrigendum to this document.

The Committee may wish to recall that UNECE, including the UNECE Transport Division and all its sub-programs in the spring of 2005 have been the object of an audit by the external auditors of the United Nations. The results of the audit and the recommendations are contained in a Management Letter to the UNECE Executive Secretary and are confidential until the audit report is presented to the United Nations General Assembly in 2006. Nevertheless, the UNECE has already taken account of the recommendations contained in the audit report pertaining to budgeting principles applied by the UNECE.

As a result of the above, the budget proposal and cost plan for the year 2006 have been brought into line with the auditors recommendations with a view to more precisely reflect the resource requirements and the reporting requirements. Therefore, the budget lines concerning premises and sub-contractors, which had been included in past budgets but had never been expended, have been taken out of the 2006 budget. Furthermore, the budget line for the Operating Reserve Fund, which had been charged in past years, has been eliminated from 2006 budget proposal, as it is considered that sufficient funds are available for the operating reserve in the amount expected to be leftover from the operation of the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat for 2005.

The number of regular Customs and administrative professionals as well as General Service staff constituting the TIR secretariat, together with the TIR Secretary whose costs are borne by the Regular Budget of the UNECE, remain unchanged.

As a result of the above, the budget for the operation of the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat for the year 2006, compared to 2005, is reduced.

Another recommendation resulting from the audit of the TIR Trust Fund and the UNECE-IRU Agreement, is recommending that, with a view to ensure the necessary transparency, the IRU should collect exactly the levy which is decided by the Committee. The UNECE is intend in following this recommendation. It is the intention of the secretariat to provide a solution to these requirements within the presently agreed wording of the Agreement. Further recommendations concerning auditing and reporting on the collection of the levy by the IRU were also contained in the Management Letter. The issue of the amendment of the UNECE-IRU Agreement is dealt with under agenda item 5.

The amount of the resulting levy on each TIR Carnet and the procedure for its collection will be concluded through an exchange of letters between the UNECE and the IRU after the present session based of the decisions of the Committee and will be submitted for endorsement at its session in spring 2006.

The Committee may wish to recall that, at its thirty-seventh session, the Dutch delegation made a remark concerning the considerable difference between the estimated and actual number of TIR Carnets distributed by the IRU in 2004. In view of the fact that the TIR Administrative Committee has calculated and approved the amount of the levy for 2005 relying on the estimates provided by the IRU, the Dutch delegation recommended to reconsider the amount of the levy for 2005 and agreed to prepare a document on this subject for consideration at the next session of the Committee (TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/77, para. 27).

The Committee may wish to consider document TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/15, transmitted by the Dutch Government.

The Committee may also wish to consider document TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/17, transmitted by the IRU, in this context.

The Administrative Committee may wish to approve the budget proposal and cost plan for the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat for the year 2006 as contained in document TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/14.

(iv) Alternative sources of funding for the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat

The Administrative Committee may wish to recall that, at its previous sessions, it had considered the issue concerning including the operation of the TIR secretariat in the regular budget of the United Nations (TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/75, paras. 29 and 30).

The Administrative Committee may wish to be informed about the developments in this field.

4. AUTHORIZATION FOR PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTION OF TIR CARNETS AND THE ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONING OF THE GUARANTEE SYSTEM

In accordance with Annex 8, Article 10 (b) of the Convention, the TIRExB shall supervise the centralized printing and distribution to the associations of TIR Carnets which may be performed by an agreed international organization as referred to in Article 6 of the Convention. At its twenty-sixth session, the Administrative Committee had decided on the following procedure and conditions in this respect:

At its annual spring session, the Administrative Committee will authorize an international organization to centrally print and distribute TIR Carnets for the following year in accordance with Annex 8, Article 10 (b) of the Convention under the condition that:

- (a) the concerned international organization declares in writing its acceptance of this authorization within 30 days following the decision of the Administrative Committee;
- (b) on the basis of the relevant decisions of the Administrative Committee at its annual autumn session (adoption of the budget for the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat, etc.), the required transfer of funds, in accordance with Annex 8, Article 13 of the Convention, will have been effected by the authorized international organization by 15 November each year for the operation of the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat during the following year (TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/53, para. 20).

The Committee may wish to recall that, at its thirty-eighth session, it had, in view of its adoption of the revised Agreement between the UNECE and the IRU, authorized the IRU to centrally print and distribute TIR Carnets and to organize the functioning of the guarantee system for the period 2006-2010 included (TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/77, para. 37).

5. AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CONCLUSION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNECE AND THE IRU

In line with the decision taken at its twenty-fourth session on the procedure for the collection of a levy on TIR Carnets for the financing of the operation of the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat (TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/49, para. 31 (ii)), the Administrative Committee may wish to recall that it has decided, as a general practice, to authorize the UNECE secretariat to negotiate and arrange with the IRU the required transfer of funds (a) in accordance with Annex 8, Article 13 of the Convention; (b) on the basis of the approved budget for the TIRExB and the TIR

secretariat and (c) in line with the requirements for authorization of an international organization to centrally print and distribute TIR Carnets (TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/57, para. 29).

The Committee may wish to recall, that, at its thirty-eighth session, it had considered and approved, with some minor amendments, the text for a revised draft Agreement between the UNECE and the IRU as contained in document TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/4, prepared by the secretariat in cooperation with the IRU and approved by the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs (TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/77, paras. 38-40).

The Committee may wish to be informed about the status of the agreement, in particular considering the audit of the TIR Trust Fund and the UNECE-IRU Agreement which was carried out in spring 2005 by the United Nations External Board of Auditors.

6. REVISION OF THE CONVENTION

(a) Implementation of Phase I of the TIR revision process

The Administrative Committee may wish to continue its exchange of views about possible difficulties that may arise in the application of the provisions that have come into force under Phase I of the TIR revision process, particularly with regard to controlled access to the TIR procedure in accordance with Annex 9, Part II of the Convention (ECE/TRANS/17/Amend.19/Rev.1).

The Administrative Committee may wish to reiterate that Contracting Parties are expected to fully comply with the provisions of the Convention, also with regard to the transmission to the TIRExB, within the stipulated time frames, of the following information (refer also to document TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2000/5):

International guarantee system

- (a) A certified copy of the written agreement or any other legal instrument between the competent authorities (Customs) and the national association as well as any modifications thereto (Deadline: as soon as possible);
- (b) A certified copy of the insurance or financial guarantee contract as well as any modifications thereto (Deadline: as soon as possible);
- (c) A copy of the (annually to be renewed) insurance certificate (Deadline: as soon as possible).

Controlled access to the TIR procedure

- (a) The particulars of each person authorized by the competent authorities to use TIR Carnets or whose authorization has been withdrawn (Deadline: within one week);
- (b) A complete and updated list of all persons authorized by the competent authorities to use TIR Carnets or whose authorization has been withdrawn (Deadline: as per 31 December each year and as soon as possible);
- (c) The particulars of each person excluded from the operation of the Convention in accordance with Article 38 (Deadline: within one week).

National control measures

The details of any national control measures planned to be undertaken by the competent national authorities in accordance with Article 42 bis (Deadline: as soon as possible).

(b) **Implementation of Phase II of the TIR revision process**

Documentation: TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/13.

The Administrative Committee may wish to consider the state of implementation of Phase II of the TIR revision process. Document TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/13, prepared by the secretariat, contains an overview of the state of implementation. Contracting Parties to the Convention may wish to comment on the information provided.

(c) **Preparation of Phase III of the TIR revision process**

Documentation: TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/18;

The Administrative Committee may wish to be informed about progress made in the preparation of Phase III of the TIR revision process within the UNECE Working Party (WP.30) (TRANS/WP.30/208, paras. 26-30) and its ad hoc group of experts on the computerization of the TIR procedure as well as its ad hoc Expert Group on revision of the Convention.

The Administrative Committee may wish to provide guidance on the approach and working methods to be taken in order to arrive at tangible solutions in due course. In this context the Committee may, in particular, wish to consider and endorse the reference model for part I of the eTIR project as contained in document TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/18.

7. PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE CONVENTION

(a) Authorization and responsibilities of the International Organization

The Administrative Committee may wish to consider and adopt the proposals contained in annex 2 to this agenda, which were adopted by the Working Party, as its one-hundred-and-ninth session, with regard to add two new Explanatory Notes to Article 6.2**bis** and Annex 8, Article 10 (b) concerning the authorization and responsibility of the international organizations authorized to print and distribute TIR Carnet as well as organized the international chain of guarantee.

(b) Other amendment proposals

The Committee may wish to take note that the following two amendments to the Convention will enter into force on 1 October 2005:

- Amendment to Article 1 (b) of a new Explanatory Note 0.1 (b) to the Convention adopted by the TIR Administrative Committee on 26 September 2003 (Depositary Notification C.N.519.2005.TREATIES-5);
- Amendments to Article 2, Article 3, paras. 9 and 10 and to Annex 7, Part I, Article 4, paras. 9 and 10 to the Convention adopted by the TIR Administrative Committee on 26 September 2003 (Depositary Notification C.N.520.2005.TREATIES-6).

8. APPLICATION OF THE CONVENTION

(a) Comments adopted by the UNECE Working Party on Customs Questions affecting Transport (WP.30)

At the present time, there are no comments for adoption by the Administrative Committee.

(b) Comments adopted by the TIR Executive Board (TIRExB)

Documentation: TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2004/20.

No comments had been transmitted by the TIRExB for endorsement by the Administrative Committee.

9. CONSOLIDATED TEXT OF THE TIR CONVENTION

Documentation: **TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/16.**

The Administrative Committee may wish to take note that the UNECE Working Party on Customs Questions affecting Transport, at its one-hundred-and-tenth session, took note of a proposal by the European Community that the secretariat prepare a consolidated version of the TIR Convention for use as a reference document, with a view to considering this at the present session of the Committee. The Working Party requested the secretariat to verify that the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations (OLA) would agree to the publication of such a reference document as well as to inquire with OLA about its legal status and if the Administrative Committee could adopt such a reference document. On the condition that the OLA would agree to the publication of the document, the Working Party requested the secretariat to prepare a document in English, French and Russian, on the basis of the text of the TIR Handbook, containing the provisions of the Convention and the Annexes to the Convention as well as the Explanatory Notes thereto.

The Committee may wish to consider and decide on the consolidated version of the Convention contained in document TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/16, prepared by the secretariat.

10. TIR HANDBOOK

Documentation: **TIR Handbook 2005.**

The TIR Handbook contains the text of the Convention and its Annexes, including the amendments to the Convention and Explanatory Notes, as well as all relevant comments adopted by the Working Party, the Administrative Committee and the TIRExB.

The Handbook in the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish language versions have recently been updated and are available both in hard copy and in electronic version.

The last version of the TIR Handbook in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and

Spanish can be viewed and downloaded from the UNECE TIR web site in these languages (<http://tir.unece.org>).

11. OTHER BUSINESS

(a) Date of next session

In accordance with the decisions of the Administrative Committee (TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/57, para. 44; TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/53, para. 44), the UNECE secretariat has made the necessary arrangements to hold the fortieth session of the Administrative Committee on 2 and 3 February 2006.

The Administrative Committee may wish to confirm the date of this fortieth session.

(b) Restriction on the distribution of documents

The Administrative Committee may wish to decide on whether there should be any restriction with respect to the distribution of documents issued in connection with its current session.

12. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

In accordance with Annex 8, Article 7 of the Convention, the Administrative Committee will adopt the report on its thirty-ninth session on the basis of a draft prepared by the UNECE secretariat. Given the present resource restrictions with regard to translation facilities, parts of the final report may not be available at the end of the session for adoption in all working languages.

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Annex 1

<u>Contracting Parties</u>	<u>Countries with which a TIR transit operation can be established*</u>	<u>National associations**</u>
Afghanistan	-	-
Albania	Albania	ANALTIR
Algeria	-	-
Armenia	Armenia	AIRCA
Austria	Austria	AISÖ
Azerbaijan	Azerbaijan	ABADA
Belarus	Belarus	BAIRC
Belgium	Belgium	FEBETRA
Bosnia and Herzegovina	-	-
Bulgaria	Bulgaria	AEBTRI
Canada	-	-
Chile	-	-
Croatia	Croatia	TRANSPORTKOMERC
Cyprus	Cyprus	TDA
Czech Republic	Czech Republic	CESMAD BOHEMIA
Denmark	Denmark	DTL
Estonia	Estonia	ERAA
Finland	Finland	SKAL
France	France	AFTRI
Georgia	Georgia	GIRCA
Germany	Germany	BGL - AIST
Greece	Greece	OFAE
Hungary	Hungary	ATRH
Indonesia	-	-
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	ICCIM
Ireland	Ireland	IRHA
Israel	Israel	IRTB
Italy	Italy	UICCIAA
Jordan	Jordan	RACJ
Kazakhstan	Kazakhstan	KAZATO
Kuwait	Kuwait	KATC
Kyrgyzstan	Kyrgyzstan	KYRGYZ AIA
Latvia	Latvia	LA

* Based on information provided by the IRU.

** For details, refer to the International Directory of TIR Focal Points administered by the UNECE secretariat (<http://www.unece.org/trans/bcf/tir/focal/tirfocalpoints.htm>). The access to the web site is restricted and only open for TIR Focal Points.

<u>Contracting Parties</u>	<u>Countries with which a TIR transit operation can be established</u> *	<u>National associations</u> **
Lebanon	Lebanon	CCIAB
Lithuania	Lithuania	LINAVA
Luxembourg	Luxembourg	FEBETRA
Malta	Malta	ATTO
Mongolia	Mongolia	NARTAM
Morocco	Morocco	AMTRI
Netherlands	Netherlands	SCT/TLN - KNV - EVO/SIEV
Norway	Norway	NLF
Poland	Poland	ZMPD
Portugal	Portugal	ANTRAM
Republic of Korea	-	-
Republic of Moldova	Republic of Moldova	AITA
Romania	Romania	UNTRR
Russian Federation	Russian Federation	ASMAP
Serbia and Montenegro	Serbia and Montenegro	CCIS-ATT
Slovakia	Slovakia	CESMAD SLOVAKIA
Slovenia	Slovenia	GIZ INTERTRANSPORT
Spain	Spain	ASTIC
Sweden	Sweden	SA
Switzerland	Switzerland	ASTAG
Syrian Arab Republic	Syrian Arab Republic	SNC ICC
Tajikistan	Tajikistan	ABBAT
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	AMERIT
Tunisia	Tunisia	CCIT
Turkey	Turkey	UC CET
Turkmenistan	Turkmenistan	THADA
Ukraine	Ukraine	AIRCU
United Kingdom	United Kingdom	RHA - FTA
United States of America	-	-
Uruguay	-	-
Uzbekistan	Uzbekistan	AIRCUZ
European Community		

* Based on information provided by the IRU.

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Annex 2

AMENDMENT PROPOSAL TO THE TIR CONVENTION, 1975

Add a new Explanatory Note to Article 6.2bis, to read as follows:

“The authorization granted in accordance with Article 6.2bis shall be reflected in a written Agreement between the UNECE and the International Organization. The agreement shall stipulate that the International Organization shall fulfil the relevant provisions of the Convention, shall respect the competences of the Contracting Parties to the Convention and shall comply with the decisions of the Administrative Committee and the requests of the TIR Executive Board. By signing the Agreement, the International Organization confirms that it accepts the responsibilities imposed by the authorization. The Agreement shall also apply to the responsibilities of the International Organization set out in Annex 8, Article 10 (b), in case the centralized printing and distribution of TIR Carnets is performed by the above-mentioned international organization. The Agreement shall be adopted by the Administrative Committee.”

Add a new Explanatory Note to Annex 8, Article 10 (b), to read as follows:

“The Agreement mentioned in the Explanatory Note to Article 6.2bis shall also apply to the responsibilities of the International Organization set out in (b) of this article, in case the centralized printing and distribution of TIR Carnets is performed by the above-mentioned international organization.”

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