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PROPOSALS OF AMENDMENTS TO THE AGREEMENT ON THE INTERNATIONAL CARRIAGE OF PERISHABLE FOOSTUFFS AND ON THE SPECIAL EQUIPMENT TO BE USED FOR SUCH CARRIAGE (ATP)

#### New proposals

Proposal to amend Annex 1, Appendix 1, Paragraph 4 (c) \*

#### Transmitted by the Government of Portugal

#### **SUMMARY**

Executive summary: Annex 1, Appendix 1, paragraph 4 (c) of the ATP does not

clearly state who shall issue the technical specifications of the

serial equipment to be certified.

**Action to be taken:** Amend paragraph 4(c).

**Related documents:** None.

<sup>\*</sup> The present document is submitted in accordance with the Programme of Work for 2008-2012 of the Inland Transport Committee (ECE/TRANS/2008/11, Item 2.11 (a)) which calls for the "Consideration of amendment proposals to ATP to ensure it is updated as necessary".

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#### **Introduction**

1. Annex 1, Appendix 1, paragraph 4 (c) of the ATP does not clearly state who shall issue the technical specifications of the serial equipment to be certified.

#### **Proposal**

- 2. Amend the text of paragraph 4 (c) to read as follows. New text is in bold and underlined.
- "(c) in the case of serially produced equipment, the technical specification of the equipment to be certified <u>issued by the manufacturer of the equipment or his legal representative.</u> This specification must cover the same items as the descriptive pages concerning the equipment which appear in the test report and must be drawn up in at least one of the three official languages."

#### Justification

- 3. This was a request and recommendation by the International Institute for Refrigeration CERTE sub-commission meeting in Prague (5-6 June 2008) which the Portuguese Government fully agrees with and supports.
- 4. By amending paragraph 4(c) as proposed by Portugal no doubts should remain.

#### **Simplification**

5. The introduction of the amendment to paragraph 4(c) will clarify the test.

### Feasibility

6. The amendment proposed is expected to improve practical life.

#### Enforceability

7. No problem of enforcement is foreseen.