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Proposals for amendments to annexes A and B of ADR:

construction and approval of vehicles

To add the results from earlier WP.15 meetings regarding aluminium in EX/III vehicle bodies.

Transmitted by the CLCCR International Association of the Body and Trailer Building Industry

Summary

Executive summary: CLCCR would like to ask WP.15 to add the results from earlier

WP.15 meetings regarding aluminium in EX/III vehicle bodies. CLCCR ask WP.15 to add one sentence in 9.3.4.2 to make clear that using aluminium in EX/III vehicle bodies is not prohibit.

Action to be taken: Decision

Reference documents: 99th session of the WP.15 (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/230; paragraphs 12-15)

91st session of the WP.15 (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/212; paragraph 9)

Introduction

1. The Working Party discussed this point two times and came always to the result that ADR did not prohibit the use of aluminium in EX/III vehicle bodies:

Extract from the report of the 91st session of the WP.15 (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/212; paragraph 9):

"9. The Working Party confirmed that in its current wording ADR did not prohibit the use of aluminium in EX/III vehicle bodies"

Extract from the report of the 99th session of the WP.15 (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/230; paragraphs 12-15):

- "12. The delegations that took the floor were of the opinion that the intention of subsection 9.3.4.2 of ADR was indeed to protect the load from sources of heat and external flames.
- 13. It was recalled that, at its ninety-first session (see ECE/TRANS/WP.15/212), the Working Party had confirmed that ADR did not prohibit the use of aluminium in EX/III vehicle bodies...."

Proposal for amendments

2. If WP.15 follows there previous confirmations, CLCCR would propose to add one sentence in 9.3.4.2:

"Aluminium is permitted as construction material in the load compartments."

Justification

If the previous WP.15 confirmations will be describe in the ADR, it will avoid discussion during the certification process of EX/III vehicle bodies.