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the TIR Executive Board and TIR secretariat

Financing of the operation of the TIRExB and the TIR secretariat for 2020

Transmitted by the International Road Transport Union

In Annex, the secretariat transmits a letter of 24 January 2020 by the International Road Transport Union (IRU).

Annex

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Geneva, 24 January 2020

FINANCING OF THE OPERATION OF THE TIREXB AND THE TIR SECRETARIAT FOR 2020

Dear Mr Li,

At its seventy first session held in Geneva on 16-17 October 2019, the TIR Administrative Committee (AC.2) approved the amount of USD 1.39 (rounded) per TIR carnet. This was based on IRU's forecast of 800,000 TIR carnets for 2020 which was calculated in order to generate the income necessary to cover the USD 1,106,233 needed for the TIRExB and TIR secretariat operations in 2020 (IRU letter ref. AD/GE1047445/UDP, dated 18 November 2019). This amount was transferred by IRU on 9 November 2019.

On 14 January 2020, IRU received the PricewaterhouseCoopers' Audit Report and management letter relating to the IRU accounts used for the invoicing and advance transfer of the money required to finance the TIRExB and TIR secretariat operations for the year ending 31 December 2019. The number of TIR carnets distributed in 2019 (855'100) was lower than the 2019 forecast (973'525) and as a consequence, IRU's books are now showing an internal deficit of CHF 134'808.73.

It is therefore proposed that, at its forthcoming session on 6 February 2020, the Administrative Committee makes a decision to reflect this amount in the amount per TIR carnet in 2021, in order to clear the above mentioned deficit.

In view of the above, IRU kindly requests that you bring this letter to the attention of the Administrative Committee at its seventy-second session.

I thank you for your cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'U. de Pretto'.

Umberto de Pretto
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