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Thirtieth session

Geneva, 17 October 2022

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the Agenda

Annotated provisional agenda for the thirtieth session*,**

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 9:30 am on Monday, 17 October 2022, Salle XXV. There will be two parts from 9:30 to 11:30 and from 14:00 to 16:00.

The thirtieth session of the Group of Experts on European Agreement Concerning Work of Crews of Vehicles Engaged in International Road Transport will be held in a dual format due to the COVID-19 situation. Participants can attend in-person or can connect via an Internet platform with simultaneous interpretation in three official languages.

I. Provisional Agenda

1. Adoption of the Agenda.
2. Programme of Work:
 - (a) Development of proposals for amending the AETR Agreement, including Article 22bis;
 - (b) Appendix 1C;

* For reasons of economy, delegates are requested to bring copies of all relevant documents to the session. There will be no documentation available in the conference room. Before the session, documents may be downloaded from the ECE Transport Division's website (www.unece.org/trans/main/sc1/sc1.html). On an exceptional basis, documents may also be obtained by e-mail (roadtransport@unece.org) or by fax (+41 22 917 0039). During the session, official documents may be obtained from the UNOG Documents Distribution Section (Room C.337, third floor, Palais des Nations).

** Delegates are requested to register online at <https://uncdb.unece.org/app/ext/meeting-registration?id=r3SCq1>. Upon arrival at the Palais des Nations, delegates should obtain an identification badge at the UNOG Security and Safety Section, located at the Pregny Gate (14, Avenue de la Paix). In case of difficulty, please contact the secretariat by telephone (ext.75716 or 75964). For a map of the Palais des Nations and other useful information, see website www.unece.org/meetings/practical.htm.

- (c) Application of Regulation (European Commission) No. 561/2006 in the “AETR area”.
- 3. TACHOnet.
- 4. Other Business.
- 5. Date and Place of Next Meeting.
- 6. Adoption of the Report.

II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the Agenda

The Group of Experts will be invited to adopt the session’s agenda (ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/67).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/67

2. Programme of Work

(a) Development of proposals for amending the AETR Agreement, including Article 22bis

At the last session, the European Union informed the Group that no bilateral meetings were held while the Russian Federation reiterated that its position remains unchanged as per ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2021/3. At this session, the Group of Experts will be invited to continue discussions to find a compromise solution related to ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2021/2 (Portugal’s proposal to amend AETR Articles 10, 13, 14 and 22 to respectively facilitate the inclusion of a new Appendix 1C, to determine the relevant implementation dates, to introduce the possibility of accession by regional economic integration organizations, and to change the amendment mechanisms for appendices).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2021/2, ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2021/3

(b) Appendix 1C

The Group will be invited to discuss ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2018/1/Rev.1 (Portugal’s proposals to modify Annex IC in order to adapt the European Union specifications on the smart tachograph to the AETR legal framework (as Appendix 1C)).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2018/1/Rev.1

(c) Application of Regulation (European Commission) No. 561/2006 in the “AETR area”

The Group of Experts will be invited to continue its discussions on this subject.

3. TACHOnet

At the last session, the European Union did not submit a revised version of ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2019/1/Rev.3 (a proposal to introduce a new Appendix 4 on exchange of information). The Group will be invited to discuss the revised document (ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2019/1/Rev.4) when submitted.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2019/1/Rev.4

4. Other Business

The secretariat will inform the Group about the results of questionnaire on the application of paragraph 1 of Article 12 related to enforcement measures.

The Group of Experts may wish to discuss other business.

5. Date and Place of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for 20 February 2023 at Palais des Nations in Geneva. The deadline for the submission of formal documents is 2 December 2022.

6. Adoption of the Report

The Group of Experts will adopt the report of this session.
