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**PREPARATION OF AN EXAMPLE OF A TIR CARNET DULY FILLED-IN**

**Note by the TIR secretariat**

**A. BACKGROUND AND MANDATE**

1. The TIRExB, at its seventeenth session, considered the example of a TIR Carnet duly filled-in as contained in Informal document No.1 (2003), covering a TIR transport along the following route: Turkey (2 Customs offices of departure) - (ferryboat) - Italy - Switzerland (1<sup>st</sup> office of destination) - Germany (2<sup>nd</sup> office of destination). The TIRExB felt that, once the example would be ready for inclusion into the TIR Handbook, it should be supplemented with a number of introductory comments explaining peculiarities of the TIR transport and, in particular, the proper transmission of data to the SafeTIR system (TIRExB/REP/2003/17draft, para. 26). In line with this suggestion, the TIR secretariat has prepared draft introductory remarks for the inclusion into the TIR Handbook.

**B. PROPOSALS BY THE TIR SECRETARIAT**

2. The example of a TIR Carnet dully filled-in will be included into a separate chapter of the TIR Handbook. The TIR secretariat proposes to insert the following introductory text into the chapter:

" The TIR Executive Board (TIRExB), in cooperation with the Customs authorities of Germany, Italy, Switzerland and Turkey, prepared in 2002-2003 an example of a TIR Carnet dully filled-in, which could serve as a model for transport operators and Customs authorities for the correct filling-in of the TIR Carnet. The example takes into account the modifications to the layout of the TIR Carnet (Annex 1 to the Convention) which came into force in 2002 (ECE/TRANS/Amend.21; entered into force on 12 May 2002).

It is common knowledge that some of the major complications in the procedures of Customs clearance are a result of situations which rarely occur in practice. As far as the TIR procedure is concerned, such non-standard situations refer to TIR transports covering several Customs offices of departure and/or destination (Article 18 of the Convention) or including a suspension of the TIR procedure in line with Article 26 of the Convention. To address all such issues, the TIRExB has developed a complex example, which combines such features as:

- it represents a typical transport operation;
- it covers the maximum permissible number of Customs offices of departure and destination, i.e. four.
- two Customs office of departure are situated in the same country;
- two Customs offices of destination are located in different countries;
- it includes a suspension of the TIR procedure during a non-road leg of the TIR transport.

Details of the suggested itinerary are given in the table below.

<b>Customs office, country</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Office 1, Turkey	Office of departure (1)	
Office 2, Turkey	Office of departure (2)	
Office 3, Turkey	Office of exit	TIR transport is suspended

*The goods are transported by sea from Turkey to Italy*

Office 4, Italy	Office of entry	TIR transport is resumed
Office 5, Italy	Office of exit	
Office 6, Switzerland	Office of entry	
Office 7, Switzerland	Office of destination (1)	Partial termination. In line with the Recommendation on the introduction of a control system for TIR Carnets, adopted by the TIR Administrative Committee on 20 October 1995, the Customs office should transmit to the SafeTIR system the required data on the partial termination of the TIR operation. For details, please refer to chapter ... of the TIR Handbook
Office 8, Switzerland	Office of exit	
Office 9, Germany	Office of entry	
Office 10, Germany	Office of destination (2)	Final termination. In line with the Recommendation on the introduction of a control system for TIR Carnets, adopted by the TIR Administrative Committee on 20 October 1995, the Customs office should transmit to the SafeTIR system the required data on the final termination of the TIR operation. For details, please refer to chapter ... of the TIR Handbook