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**OTHER MATTERS**

**Application of the TIR procedure in the Russian Federation**

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**TIR Transit to the Russian Federation**

Dear Mr Nowak,

I would like to bring to the attention of the TIRExB the following situation:

A TIR transport from the UK with an intended destination in Stupino (which is a town some 100 km south of Moscow) was refused to continue under the TIR procedure by the Customs authorities in St Petersburg. The reason given by the Customs authorities for their decision was that the transport of the goods was not made mainly by road.

It is confirmed that the goods arrived in St Petersburg by ferry from Hamina in Finland. However the TIR operation in the UK included a journey by road and, obviously, the onward journey from St Petersburg to Stupino would be made by road.

It would appear that this situation relates to the implementation of the provisions of Article 2 of the TIR Convention, and especially Explanatory Note 0.2-2.

It is proposed that the matter be considered by the TIRExB at its forthcoming meeting in order to decide what action should be taken in order to avoid a repetition of such refusal.

Best regards,



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