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Format of the certificate of approval

Note by the secretariat

I. **Background**

At its previous session, TIRExB took note of Informal document No. 15 (2013), containing an example of a Certificate of Approval, composed of A4 pages bound together, rather than the A3 format, folded in two, as stipulated by a comment to Annex 4 of the Convention. The Board took note that the issue had been discussed at a TIR seminar on the construction of customs secure vehicles for TIR operations (Helsinki, 18-19 June 2013) and that the seminar, acknowledging that the third page of such certificates could easily be replaced after having been used by competent authorities to notify any defect, recommended that certificates printed on multiple pages should be secured by means of secure binding or a stamp on every page. The Board requested the secretariat to prepare, for discussions at it next session a proposal for an amended comment to Annex 4 (See Informal document TIRExB/REP/2013/55draft, paras. 36-37).

II. Amended comment to Annex 4

The secretariat proposes to add the sentence "Certificates printed on multiple pages should be secured by means of stamps on every page or secure bindings" at the end of the first comment to Annex 4. The comment would then read as follows:

"Approval Certificate

The Certificate of Approval should be of format A3, folded in two. See sample hereafter. Certificates printed on multiple pages should be secured by means of stamps on every page or secure bindings."

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