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**Economic Commission for Europe****Administrative Committee for the TIR Convention, 1975****Sixty-sixth session**

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Item 4(e) of the provisional agenda

**Revision of the Convention:****Accepted amendment proposals to the Convention  
pending formal adoption****Amendment to Article 2 of the TIR Convention****Note by the secretariat****I. Introduction**

1. At its sixty-first session, the Committee agreed with the proposal to amend Article 2, as to specify that the word “frontier”, refers to a customs frontier and had decided to postpone its formal adoption until a larger package was formed (ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/125, para. 23).

2. The Committee also noted the maintained reservation of the delegation of Kazakhstan against this proposal (see ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/131, paras. 32 and 33). However, the Committee was of the view that since this proposal had been agreed upon by the Committee in line with its rules of procedure, the objection raised, post-facto, by the delegation of Kazakhstan would not be, in itself, sufficient grounds for re-opening the discussions. Against this background, the Committee agreed to transmit this proposal to the depositary separately from other grouped/package proposals, thus, providing the opportunity to any Contracting Party to exercise its right to object under Article 59 without, at the same time, jeopardizing the entry into force of the other amendments that have met consensus.

**II. Considerations by the Committee**

3. The Committee is invited to formally adopt this proposal and to instruct the secretariat to transmit it to the depositary in line with the procedure of Article 59 of the TIR Convention.

## **Annex**

### **Amendment to Article 2**

#### **Article 2**

*Before frontiers insert customs*

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