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Third session

Geneva, 24 October 2012

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the Agenda

Annotated provisional agenda for the third session ^{1,2}

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 9.30 a.m. on Wednesday, 24 October 2012

I. Provisional Agenda

1. Adoption of the Agenda.
2. Adoption of the Report.
3. Programme of Work:

¹ 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 UNECE Transport Division's website (www.unece.org/trans/main/welcwp1.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).

² All delegates are requested to complete the registration form available for download at the UNECE Transport Division's website (www.unece.org/trans/registfr.html). It should be transmitted to the UNECE secretariat no later than one week prior to the session by e-mail (roadsafety@unece.org) or by fax (+41 22 917 0039). 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 72401). For a map of the Palais des Nations and other useful information, see website (www.unece.org/meetings/practical.htm).

- (a) Memorandum of understanding between the UNECE and European Commission Services which recognizes the Joint Research Centre as the authority responsible for Root and Interoperability Certification for non-EU AETR Contracting Parties;
 - (b) Development of proposals for amending the AETR Agreement, in particular Article 22bis, including the creation of a new institutional arrangement such as an administrative committee;
 - (c) Third party rights and obligations under the AETR Agreement;
 - (d) Exchange of information on issuing digital tachograph cards.
- 4. Other business.
 - 5. Date and place of next meeting.

II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the Agenda

The Group of Experts will be invited to adopt the session's agenda.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/8

2. Adoption of the Report

The Group of Experts will be invited to adopt the report of the last session.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/9

3. Programme of Work

- (a) **Memorandum of understanding between the UNECE and European Commission Services which recognizes the Joint Research Centre as the authority responsible for Root and Interoperability Certification for non-EU AETR Contracting Parties**

Experts will be informed about the status of the supplement to this memorandum (Annex I, ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/4).

- (b) **Development of proposals for amending the AETR Agreement, in particular Article 22bis, including the creation of a new institutional arrangement such as an administrative committee**

Experts will be invited to continue discussing Annex II of ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/4, which provides an amended consolidated proposal for new Article 22bis.

- (c) **Third party rights and obligations under the AETR Agreement**

Experts will be invited to discuss (i) third party rights and obligations under the AETR Agreement and (ii) clarifications on the prevailing legal instrument applicable to road transport operations undertaken either partially or entirely within the European Union by

non-EU AETR transport companies. The secretariat will inform experts that table templates from ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/5 are now available online and will invite governments to provide the relevant information.

(d) Exchange of information on issuing digital tachograph cards

Experts may wish to describe and assess issues on the exchange of information on issuing digital tachograph cards. This may include developing proposals to modify the existing information exchange platforms and/or developing a new standardized method for exchange of AETR-related information. In particular, experts may wish to discuss the Tachonet system and related procedures required for data exchange.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/4, ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/5

4. Other business

The Expert Group may wish to discuss other issues such as, for example, points 2 and 6 of its terms of reference.

5. Date and place of next meeting

The Expert Group will decide on the date and venue for its next meeting. The secretariat has scheduled the next session for 3 December 2012 (Monday).
