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Addendum

Annotations

1. Adoption of the agenda

1. In accordance with WP.11's rules of procedure, the first item on the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda.

2. Activities of ECE bodies of interest to the Working Party

(a) Inland Transport Committee

2. The Working Party will be informed about the results of the seventy-eighth session of the Inland Transport Committee (ITC) (23-26 February 2016) as reflected in its report (ECE/TRANS/254, paragraphs 136-142).

3. The ITC adopted the reports of its subsidiary bodies (ECE/TRANS/254, para. 151).

4. The Committee expressed its concern that a proposal to amend the unanimity rule in Article 18.4 of the ATP by requiring at least three objections in order to reject a proposed amendment to the technical annexes to the ATP, while maintaining unanimity for the articles of the ATP itself, had not been accepted. WP.11 also did not accept a proposal to change its practice of putting each amendment proposal to vote. In light of the complications that this situation creates for the ability of WP.11 to facilitate updating and modernizing the legal instruments under its purview, the Committee strongly encouraged all involved Parties to accelerate a decision on this matter and report to the Committee at its next annual session.

5. The Committee noted that, at the request of WP.11, the Executive Secretary of ECE had written to the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of ATP Contracting Parties in December 2014 requesting the contact details of the authority in the country competent to sign multilateral agreements drawn up in accordance with Article 7 of the ATP. The Committee strongly encouraged ATP Contracting Parties that had not responded to that letter to do so if they wished to be able to participate in any future multilateral agreements in the ATP framework.

6. The Committee noted with interest a suggestion by France to adopt at a future session a resolution recommending the application of ATP to domestic traffic.

7. EuroMed RRU reported on the elaboration of a Road Map on the accession to and implementation of the ATP Agreement as a joint undertaking of EuroMed RRU and ECE

8. The Committee invited the secretariat to cooperate with EuroMed in order to make the ATP Road Map (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2015/9) available as a publication in English, French and Russian.

(b) Working Party on Agricultural Quality Standards

9. The Working Party will be informed about any relevant activities of the Working Party on Agricultural Quality Standards (WP.7).

3. Activities of other international organizations dealing with issues of interest to the Working Party

(a) International Institute of Refrigeration (IIR)

10. The Working Party will be informed about the results of the meeting of the IIR sub-commission on refrigerated transport held in Prague, Czech Republic 13-14th April 2016 (Informal document INF.3).

(b) Transfrigoroute International

11. The representative of Transfrigoroute International is invited to present the recent activities of his organization.

(c) European Committee for Standardization (CEN)

12. Delegations participating in the work of CEN are invited to inform the Working Party about progress on the development of standards dealing with transport under controlled temperatures and what impact these standards are expected to have on the ATP.

4. Status and implementation of the Agreement on the International Carriage of Perishable Foodstuffs and on the Special Equipment to be Used for such Carriage (ATP)

(a) Status of application of the Agreement

13. San Marino acceded to ATP in May 2016 thereby bringing the number of Contracting Parties to 50.

(b) Status of amendments

14. The amendments to ATP adopted by WP.11 at its 70th session in 2014, and contained in Annex I to the report of that session (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/231), (depository

notification C.N.181.2015.TREATIES-XI.B.22), with the exception of the amendment to Annex 1, appendix 2, paragraph 3.2.6) are deemed accepted as of 19 June 2016 (depository notification C.N.510.2016.TREATIES-XI.B.22), for entry into force on 19 December 2016.

15. Proposed amendments and corrections to the ATP adopted at the 71st session of WP.11 in 2015 (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/233, Annexes I and II) were notified to ATP Contracting Parties by the United Nations Treaty Section on 6 April 2016 (C.N.135.2016.TREATIES-XI.B.22 and C.N.128.2016.TREATIES-XI.B.22, respectively). Corrections were deemed accepted on 13 July 2016 (C.N.497.2016.TREATIES-XI.B.22).

16. On 28 June 2016, the Government of Germany, in accordance with Article 18 (2) (b) of the ATP, informed the Secretary-General that although it intended to accept the proposals, the conditions for such acceptance were not yet fulfilled (C.N.453.2016.TREATIES-XI.B.22). As a consequence, the amendments adopted at the 2015 session of WP.11 will be deemed accepted only if, before the expiry of a period of nine months following the initial notification period of six months, the Government of Germany does not notify an objection to the proposed amendments.

(c) Test stations officially designated by the competent authorities of countries Parties to ATP

17. The current list of officially designated test stations appears at the following web link: <http://www.unece.org/trans/main/wp11/teststationsnew.html>.

(d) Exchange of information among Parties under Article 6 of ATP

18. At the last session, the WP.11 thanked the 21 countries that had provided data in response to the questionnaire on the implementation of ATP in 2014 and stressed that it was mandatory to have information from all ATP contracting parties and that it was a means of harmonizing implementation of the agreement. The data received for the year 2015 are presented in ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/1. Countries were also asked to respond to an additional question regarding implementation of the ATP. Informal document INF.2 (submitted by Belgium) contain a list of infractions and corresponding penalties included in a Royal Decree that will provide for road checks to verify compliance with the provisions of the ATP Agreement (available in French only).

(e) Exchange of good practices for better implementation of ATP

19. The WP.11 may wish to consider any information or question regarding good practices raised under this item.

(f) Interpretation of ATP

20. The WP.11 may wish to consider any question of interpretation raised under this item.

5. Proposals of amendments to ATP

(a) Pending proposals

Amendments and additions to the definitions proposed in ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2015/17 for inclusion in Annex 1 to ATP

21. The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the Russian Federation (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/9).

Validity of certificates issued to vehicles for transfer to another country

22. The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by France (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/12).

Provisions applicable to official testing stations

23. The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by France (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/13).

Provisions applicable to competent authorities to issue technical compliance certificates

24. The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by France (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/14).

Procedure for the efficiency testing of in-service independent, multi-temperature equipment

25. The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by France (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/15).

Marking of multi-temperature equipment

26. The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by France (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/16).

Audit reference document for manufacturers of temperature-controlled equipment

27. The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by France (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/17).

Proposal for test and approval of a refrigerated thermal appliance working on liquefied gas separate from the insulated body it will be used on

28. The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the Netherlands (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/20).

Pending issues "Multi temperature multi compartment equipment" (MTMC)

29. The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the Netherlands (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/21).

(b) New proposals

Annex 1, Appendix 2, Model No. 10 Test

30. The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by United Kingdom (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/2).

Addition to ATP of provisions allowing for the use of the bodies of refrigerated, mechanically refrigerated, heated or mechanically refrigerated and heated equipment as insulated equipment without conducting separate inspections of such bodies to check compliance with the relevant ATP standards and requirements

31. The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the Russian Federation (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/3).

Addition to Annex 1 of ATP of clarification in respect of the margin of error in the overall coefficient of heat transfer of special equipment and inclusion of its calculation in the ATP Handbook

32. The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the Russian Federation (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/4).

Additions to Annex 3 of ATP concerning the temperature conditions to be observed for the carriage of chilled perishable foodstuffs and monitoring of air temperatures during their carriage

33. The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the Russian Federation (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/7).

Addition to ATP of provisions setting up a database of ATP certificates issued by the competent authorities of all the Contracting Parties on the official ECE website and calling for the competent authorities of the Contracting Parties on their own websites to publish lists of all ATP certificates issued

34. The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the Russian Federation (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/10).

Editorial correction to the Russian translation of ATP

35. The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the Russian Federation (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/11).

Testing of refrigeration units with new (drop in) refrigerants

36. The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by France (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/18).

Testing of mono and multi-temperature liquefied gas systems

37. The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by France (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/19).

6. ATP Handbook

38. The latest version of the ATP Handbook appears on the Transport Division website in English, French and Russian at the following link: http://www.unece.org/trans/main/wp11/atp_handbook.html

39. The WP.11 may wish to consider the proposal by the Russian Federation to include a comment to article 3 of ATP concerning the definition of the term "perishable foodstuffs" (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/5).

40. The WP.11 may wish to consider the proposal made by the Russian Federation to include a definition of the area of the inner and outer heat transfer surfaces of railway wagons other than tank wagons (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/6).

41. The WP.11 may wish to consider the proposal made by the Russian Federation to include a comment to article 7 of ATP concerning the carriage of fresh fruit and vegetables (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2016/8).

7. Scope of ATP

42. The WP.11 may wish to discuss any developments related to the scope of ATP that have a bearing on its work.

43. The road map for accession to and implementation of the ATP prepared by the EuroMed road, rail and urban transport project with inputs from the secretariat and the chairs of WP.11 will be published shortly by EuroMed.

8. Energy labelling, refrigerants and blowing agents

44. The WP.11 may wish to discuss any developments in the field of energy labelling, refrigerants and blowing agents that have a bearing on its work.

9. Programme of work and biennial evaluation

45. The Working Party will discuss this issue at its session in 2017 but is reminded that its adopted programme of work for 2016-2017 and biennial evaluation appear in annexes IV, V and VI of ECE/TRANS/WP.11/233.

10. Election of officers

46. The WP.11 is expected to elect a Chairman and Vice-Chairman for its seventy-third session in 2017.

11. Other business

47. The WP.11 may wish to consider any other business under this item.

Dates of the seventy-third session

48. The dates of 10-13 October 2017 (Tuesday to Friday) have been reserved for the seventy-third session of WP.11.

12. Adoption of the report

49. The WP.11 is expected to adopt the report on its seventy-second session based on a draft prepared by the secretariat.
