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Joint Meeting of the RID Safety
Committee and the Working Party
on the Transport of Dangerous Goods
(Geneva, 14-24 September 1999)

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE SESSION ^{1/} ^{2/}

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva,
starting at 10.30 a.m. on Tuesday 14 September 1999 ^{3/}

IMPORTANT

In view of the new security measures concerning access to the Palais des Nations, delegations are requested to inform the secretariat (ECE Transport Division) of their exact composition. Access to the Palais des Nations will be restricted to the bearers of an identity card which will be issued by the Security and Safety Section, Villa Les Feuillantines, 13 Avenue de la Paix (please see the plan on the last page).

Each participant named on the list of members of the delegation is requested to complete in advance the enrolment form on the second-last page and forward it by fax (41 22 917 00 39) or by e-mail (mireille.chavet@unece.org) at latest one week before the session opens.

^{1/} As part of the secretariat's efforts to reduce expenditure, documents distributed prior to the session by mail will not be available in the conference room for distribution to session participants. Delegates are kindly requested to bring their copies of documents to the meeting.

^{2/} See letter A 81-02/502.99 of the Central Office for International Carriage by Rail (OCTI)

^{3/} An informal working group will meet on 13 September at 10am to discuss editorial matters as deemed appropriate by the Chairman. Another working group will meet on 13 and 14 September to discuss Class 7 (radioactive material).

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Restructuring of RID/ADR
3. Future work
4. Other business
5. Adoption of the report

EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

NOTE 1: Mr A Johansen (Norway) was elected Chairman and Mr H Rein (Germany) was elected Vice-Chairman for 1999.

NOTE 2: Delegates may possibly wish to have with them the following reference documents:

(a) The 1999 version of RID and ADR;

(b) The eleventh revised edition of the Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (Model Regulations) (ST/SG/AC.10/1/Rev.11).

(c) The reports of the last five sessions:

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/68 and Add.1-3-OCTI/RID/GT-III/1327 and Add. 1-3;

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/70-A81-02/503.97;

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/72-OCTI/RID/GT-III/1998-A.

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/74 and Add.1-3-OCTI/RID/GT-III/1998-B and Add.1-3

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/76 - OCTI/RID/GT-III/1999-A.

NOTE 3: The provisional timetable is as follows:

Monday, 13 September 1999	Informal working group (Editorial matters)
	Informal working group on Class 7 (radioactive material)
Tuesday, 14 September 1999	Informal working group on Class 7 (radioactive material) Agenda items 1 and 2 Part 1 Part 2
Wednesday, 15 September 1999	Chapters 3.1, 3.3, 3.4 Class 7
Thursday, 16 September 1999	Part 7
Friday, 17 September 1999	Part 5
Monday, 20 September 1999	Chapter 4.1

Tuesday, 21 September 1999	Chapters 6.1, 6.3, 6.5, 6.6 Chapter 6.2
Wednesday, 22 September 1999	Chapters 4.3 and 6.8 Chapters 4.2 and 6.7 Chapter 6.9 (Chapters 6.10 and Parts 8 and 9 for information)
Thursday, 23 September 1999	Chapter 3.2, items 3 and 4
Friday, 24 September 1999	Item 5

NOTE 4: It will be recalled that at the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting held in Berne from 25-28 May 1999, it was decided that this meeting would deal exclusively with matters concerning restructuring and harmonization with the UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods. For that reason, proposals submitted on other subjects have not been included in this provisional agenda (see TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/76 - OCTI/RID/GT-III/1999-A, paragraph 109).

2. RESTRUCTURING OF RID/ADR

NOTE: Unless otherwise indicated, document serial numbers refer to TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/- and OCTI/RID/GT-III/- documents.

	<u>Document symbol</u>	<u>Author</u>
PART 1		
Consolidated text:	1999/3/Rev.1	OCTI
section 1.1.3	1999/20	Netherlands
Section 1.1.3.1	1999/30	United Kingdom
Section 1.2.1	1999/25	Belgium
Section 1.2.1	1999/26	Belgium
Section 1.2.1	1999/27	UN/ECE secretariat
Section 1.2.1	1999/34	Austria
Section 1.2.1	1999/38 (Last part)	UN/ECE secretariat
Section 1.4.2.3.3	1999/29	United Kingdom

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PART 2		
Consolidated text (The secretariat was invited to prepare a consolidated text on the basis of the decisions of the Joint Meeting and taking into account the 11 th revised version of the UN Orange Book)	(Under preparation)	UN/ECE secretariat
Classification codes	1999/42 and Add.1	Netherlands
PART 3		
Section 3.1.2	1999/21 and TRANS/WP.15/AC.1.76 - OCTI/RID/GT-III/1999-A, paragraphs 88-89	UN/ECE secretariat
Chapter 3.2	Informal document under preparation	UIC
Chapter 3.3	1999/7	UN/ECE secretariat
Chapter 3.4	1999/8 and TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/76 - OCTI/RID/GT-III/1999-A, paragraphs 86-87	UN/ECE secretariat
PART 4		
Chapter 4.1	1999/37	United Kingdom
Section 4.1.2.2	1999/9 and Add.1 and Corr. 1	Belgium
References to standards	1999/40	CEN
Mixed packing	1999/41	United Kingdom
Chapter 4.2	1999/38	UN/ECE secretariat
Chapter 4.3	1999/4/Rev.1 and Report on the 15th session of the RID restructuring Working Group, Bruxelles (21-26 June 1998, under preparation (INF...))	OCTI
PART 5		
Chapters 5.1 and 5.2	1999/21	UN/ECE secretariat
Section 5.2.2.2	1999/28	EIGA
Chapter 5.3	Under preparation	UN/ECE secretariat
Chapter 5.4	1999/10	UN/ECE secretariat
Chapter 5.5	1999/13	UN/ECE secretariat
Comments on Chapter 5.5	1999/33	Austria

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PART 6		
Chapter 6.1	TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/74 Add.1 OCTI/RID/GT-III/1998-B Add.1 ST/SG/AC/10/25/Add.1	United Nations
Chapter 6.2	1999/45	EIGA
References to standards	1999/40	CEN
Chapter 6.3	TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/74 Add.1 OCTI/RID/GT-III/1998-B Add.1 ST/SG/AC.10/25/Add.1	United Nations
Chapter 6.5	TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/74 Add.2 OCTI/RID/GT-III/1998-B Add.2 ST/SG/AC.10/25/Add.1	United Nations
Chapter 6.6	ST/SG/AC.10/25/Add.1	United Nations
Chapter 6.7	1999/39	UN/ECE secretariat
Chapter 6.8	1999/5 and Report of the 15th session of the RID restructuring Working Group, Bruxelles (21-26 June 1998, under preparation (INF...))	OCTI
References to standards	1999/40	CEN
Battery-vehicles	1999/43	EIGA
Chapter 6.9	TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/74 Add.3 OCTI/RID/GT-III/1998-B Add.3	
Chapter 6.10	Being prepared for WP.15	UN/ECE secretariat
PART 7	1999/35	UN/ECE secretariat
PART 8 (For information only)	TRANS/WP.15/157 Add.1	UN/ECE secretariat
PART 9 (For information only)	TRANS/WP.15/157 Add.1	UN/ECE secretariat
CLASS 7	1999/36	United Kingdom

3. PROGRAMME OF WORK

The secretariat will make proposals on this question during the session.

It will be recalled that at the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting held in Geneva from 15-25 September 1998, it was agreed that the Joint Meeting would await this session to take a final decision on the date of entry into force of the restructured RID/ADR and to prescribe a transitional period of one year, as requested by certain delegations (see TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/74 - OCTI/RID/GT-III/1998-B, paragraph 189).

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

See Note 4 under item 1.

5. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

In accordance with established practice, the meeting will adopt the report on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat.
