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DECISION ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE COMMITTEE ON INLAND TRANSPORT

Changes to programme of work for 2006-2010

Note by the secretariat *

1. The Inland Transport Committee (ITC) reviews its programme of work every two years for the following period of four years. At its 68th session in February 2006, the ITC adopted its programme of work for the period 2006-2010. The ITC Programme of Work for 2006-2010 (ECE/TRANS/166/Add.1) already addresses the priorities identified in the Work Plan on ECE Reform.
2. At its 69th session (Geneva, 6 – 8 February 2007), it was not expected that the ITC would deal with its programme of work. Nevertheless, in order to take further into account the new priorities identified in the Work Plan on the ECE Reform, it approved new programme elements or amendments to its programme of work for 2006-2010, as contained in the Annex to the present document.
3. The Executive Committee is invited to approve these changes.

* The document is submitted less than 12 weeks before the meeting to which it relates, because of the short time interval between the sixty-ninth session of the Inland Transport Committee and the meeting of the Executive Committee (6-8 February and 7 March 2007).

ANNEX

ITC PROGRAMME OF WORK 2006-2010

New or amended Programme Activities to reflect new priorities of the Work Plan ^{*}

The following new or amended Programme Activities related to the priorities of the Work Plan refer to the ITC Programme of Work for 2006-2010 (ECE/TRANS/166/Add.1)

Transport and Environment

Programme Activity 02.8: Transport, Health and Environment

Under Work to be undertaken, add:

“(c) **Support the raising of extra-budgetary funds for the operation of THE PEP Clearing House**
Priority: 1”

Programme Activity 02.2.1 Road Transport, Activity (b)

Amend to read:

“Output expected by 2006-2007: Preparation and possible adoption of new amendments to Annex II of the AGR which relate to safety, **environmental protection** and security. Priority: 1”

Programme Activity 02.4: Development and Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations, 02.4.1

Amend to read:

Description: The World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29) will develop regulations and, including the relevant activities aimed at improving road transport safety, saving energy and [taking into account] **increasing** the protection of the environment.

Strengthening implementation of legal instruments on transport

Programme Activity 02.2, Activity 02.2.2

^{*/} Amendments proposed to current Programme Activities are reproduced in bold. Text to be deleted is in square brackets.

Under Work to be undertaken (c), add:

“Output expected by 2008-2009: Issuance of a report on the checks carried out by Contracting Parties of driving and rest periods of professional drivers, in order to ensure observance of the provisions of the AETR. Priority: 1”

Programme Activity 02.3: Road Traffic Safety, Activity (a)

Under Work to be undertaken, add:

“Output expected by the end of 2008/2009: Issuance of a report on the implementation in Contracting Parties of selected aspects of the Vienna Conventions on Road Traffic and on Road Signs and Signals and of the European Agreements supplementing them. Priority: 1”

Programme Activity 02.9: Intermodal Transport and Logistics, Activity (b)

Amend 3rd indent to read:

“ Monitoring, implementing and, whenever feasible, improving existing standards and”

Strengthening the TIR Convention

Programme Activity 02.10: Customs Questions affecting Transport, Activities (a) and (d)

Under Activity (a), add:

“Output expected in 2007: Amendments to the legal provisions of the TIR Convention and the procedures contained in the UNECE-IRU agreement concerning the transfer and collection of the amounts for the financing of the operation of the TIR Executive Board and TIR secretariat;”

Under Activity (d), add:

“Output expected in 2007: A final project description of the computerization of the TIR procedure, including the following elements: Customs-to-Customs information exchange system and TIR guarantee data management system (eTIR); system for electronic launch of declaration for the TIR transport; data exchange of guarantee data.”
