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ROAD SIGNS FOR VEHICLES CARRYING DANGEROUS GOODS

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At the 30th session of the Working Party on Road Traffic Safety (WP.1), delegations were invited to make their written proposals for possible amendment of the Consolidated Resolution on Road Signs and Signals R.E.2 (see report TRANS/SC.1/WP.1/60 of 28 April 1998).

Looking at para 1.11 of the Consolidated Resolution R.E.2 (TRANS/SC.1/295/Rev.3) concerning the use and meaning of signs for vehicles carrying dangerous goods, it is clear that the text therein needs some adaptation in view of the current and future version of the relevant ADR provisions.

Taking account of the fact that in the restructured ADR there will be neither item numbers nor letters nor a marginal 10 500 a more abstract but nevertheless clear wording is required.

It is therefore suggested that WP.15 proposes to WP.1 the following amendments for para. 1.11 of the Consolidated Resolution R.E.2:

"1.11 The use and meaning of signs for vehicles carrying dangerous goods

(a) Sign C, 3^h "NO ENTRY FOR VEHICLES CARRYING DANGEROUS GOODS FOR WHICH SPECIAL SIGN PLATING IS PRESCRIBED" described in the 1968 Convention on Road Signs and Signals should be used without an additional panel to prohibit the entry of vehicles defined

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in article 1 (a) of the 1957 European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR), carrying goods listed in any class dangerous goods defined in article 1 (b) of ADR for which orange-coloured plates according to marginal 10 500 of ADR the provisions of ADR for marking are required on the vehicles. For prohibitions related to other dangerous goods (e.g. goods listed in national legislation), prohibitions restricted to certain periods (e.g. peak hours) or those restricted to transit, the sign should be used with an additional panel specifying the prohibition.

(b) Sign C, 3^m "NO ENTRY FOR VEHICLES CARRYING MORE THAN A CERTAIN QUANTITY OF EXPLOSIVE OR READILY INFLAMMABLE SUBSTANCES" described in the 1971 European Agreement supplementing the 1968 Convention on Road Signs and Signals should be used to prohibit the entry of vehicles defined in article 1 (a) of the 1957 European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR), carrying dangerous goods of class 1, of class 2 - items with letters (b), (bt), (c) and (ct) classified as flammable, of class 3 - items 1 to 28 except packing group III, of class 4.1 - items 31 to 50 classified as self-reactive and of class 5.2 of ADR, provided that orange-coloured plates on the vehicle according to marginal 10 500 of ADR the provisions of ADR for marking are required for the carriage of the relevant goods."
