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REVIEW OF RECURRENT PUBLICATIONS

Note by the secretariat

1. The Economic Commission for Europe, during its 1998 session, noted the concern of the ACABQ concerning the intergovernmental scrutiny of publications, requested each of its Principal Subsidiary Bodies to review the **recurrent** publications falling under its purview to determine whether their continued publication is merited and to communicate the results of the review to the secretariat for transmittal to the ACABQ.
2. This review not having been done during the 1998 session of the Committee for Trade, Industry and Enterprise Development, it must be done this year.
3. The Committee will, therefore, be asked to review the following publications and indicate whether or not their publication should be continued. The list is organized according to the intergovernmental body responsible for the publication.

Recurrent publications of the Committee for Trade, Industry and Enterprise Development

4. The following recurrent publications, under the responsibility of the Committee for Trade, Industry and Enterprise Development, have been proposed in the budget for the 2000-2001 biennium:

a. Annual CTIED (UN/ECE trade activities) CD-ROM

A CD-ROM containing an updated version of all of the principal publications created under the CTIED as well as information about the Committee, its subsidiary bodies and their work.

b. Internet Enterprise Development Report

Published electronically.

Recurrent publications of UN/CEFACT

5. The following recurrent publications are under the responsibility of UN/CEFACT:

a. United Nations Trade Data Interchange Directory (TDID)

Published electronically.

The TDID contains the rules and directories for United Nations Electronic Data Interchange for Administration, Commerce and Transport (UN/EDIFACT)

b. Trade Data Elements Directory (TDED)

The TDED contains a directory of data elements for use in aligned documents and for electronic data interchange.

c. United Nations Code for Ports and Other Locations (UN/LOCODE)

Published electronically

The UN/LOCODE contains codes for more than 26000 locations used by trade and transport all over the world.

d. UN/CEFACT Annual Report

The UN/CEFACT annual report consists of a printed brochure describing UN/CEFACT and its activities. The Brochure is complemented by an information paper dealing with the latest developments in the field.

Recurrent publications of the Ad hoc Working Group on Chemicals

6. The following recurrent publications are under the responsibility of the Ad hoc Working Group on Chemicals:

a. The Chemical Industry - Annual Review

An annual survey covering macro-economic and industrial trends relevant to the chemical industry in the ECE region, analysed on national technical and detailed statistical levels.

b. Compendium on soil cleanup technologies and soil remediation companies
Second update 1999

A compilation and critical description of 19 soil cleanup technologies containing information on over 500 companies in the ECE region which practice these technologies.

c. Directory of chemical producers and products, third edition 1999

This publication lists chemical enterprises in central and eastern Europe including those located in all Republics of the former Soviet Union. It provides a list of the chemicals produced by these enterprises.

Recurrent publications of the Ad hoc Working Group on Steel

7. The following recurrent publications are under the responsibility of the Ad hoc Working Group on Steel:

a. The Steel Market in 1998 - Prospects for 1999

An annual survey, based on communications from the countries, covering macro-economic, industrial and international exchange flows concerning the world steel industry.

b. Annual Bulletin of Steel Statistics for Europe, America and Asia

This is a unique publication covering the main technical performance indicators for the steel industries of the region enabling a comparison and a benchmarking of all national steel industries in the world

c. Statistics of World Trade in Steel

Annual publication of the trade statistics by main products/origins and destinations.

Publications b and c above are, in particular, the source of most statistical information used in other publications dealing with the steel industry of central and eastern Europe.

d. Iron and Steel Scrap

Biannual publication. Based on UN/ECE sources, this publication analyses the trends of offer and demand for scrap by main categories and consuming sectors, the flows of exchange at the world level and the substitutes for this important metallurgical raw material.
