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Transport of Dangerous Goods
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Application by the
International Technical Committee for the Prevention and Extinction of Fire (CTIF)
for consultative status with the Sub-Committee/Committee
of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

Note by the secretariat

1. The secretariat reproduces below information received from CTIF requesting consultative status as a non-governmental organization for participation in the work of the Sub-Committee and the Committee.

2. The aims and purposes of the organization:

The CTIF is an international technical organization for the exchange of experience in the field of fire protection and rescue.

The aims of the CTIF are as follows:

- (a) to promote, facilitate and develop international technical and scientific co-operation in the fields of fire prevention, firefighting and life-saving as well as technical assistance in the event of fire and natural disasters, excluding those aspects covered by civil defence;

- (b) to establish and maintain friendly relations between the representatives of fire brigades and fire rescue services of all countries on the principle of egalitarian and peaceful co-operation.

3. Establishment and location of the organization:

The CTIF was established in Paris in 1900 as "Le grand Conseil International des Sapeurs-Pompiers". It was re-established in 1946 as CTIF. It was registered in the Préfecture de Police de Paris as a non-profit association under the so-called "Loi de 1901" constitution. All members of the CTIF are non-profit firefighters associations or public services.

The official seat is: 27, rue de Dunkerque - 75010 PARIS.

Usual mail may be sent either to the President's or to the General Secretary's address.

4. The programmes and activities are carried out in all member countries as:

- symposia every two years,
- reports to the Permanent Council every year,
- permanent work in technical commissions.
 - "Airports" subcommittee
 - "Forest fires" subcommittee
 - "Health services" subcommittee
 - "Dangerous substances" committee.

5. List of members

Members are not physical persons but CTIF national committees:

Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iran, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Morocco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United States of America, Vatican.

The United States of America are represented by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC).

6. Further documents, i.e. the annual report, the most recent budget, the constitution, the list of members of the governing body and technical documents, have been made available to the secretariat.

7. The Sub-Committee is invited to decide whether CTIF may participate in its work with a consultative status.
