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INLAND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Preparatory Committee Established Jointly
by CCNR, the Danube Commission and ECE
for the Drafting of the Convention on the
Contract for the Carriage of Goods by
Inland Waterway
(Sixth session, 1-5 February 1999)

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE SIXTH SESSION

to be held in Slovenia

1. Adoption of the agenda TRANS/SC.3/AC.5/8
2. Chairman and Vice-Chairman
3. Final adoption of the decisions taken by
the Preparatory Committee at its fifth session TRANS/SC.3/AC.5/7

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Rhine (CCNR) with the symbol CMNI/PC(98)16.

4. Consideration of the draft Convention on the Contract for the Carriage of Goods by Inland Waterway and its annexes (Protocols 1 and 2)
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CENTRAL COMMISSION FOR THE NAVIGATION OF THE RHINE
DANUBE COMMISSION
ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE

EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

In accordance with usual practice, the first item on the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda.

2. CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN

Since this meeting will be the continuation of the second reading of the draft Convention, the Committee may perhaps wish to renew the officers from its previous meeting: Chairman: Mr. CUCU (Romania); Vice-Chairman: Mrs. VANLUCHENE (Belgium).

3. FINAL ADOPTION OF THE DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE AT ITS FIFTH SESSION

The Preparatory Committee may perhaps wish to adopt definitively the report of its fifth session which had been adopted subject to the adoption of the English and Russian versions.

4. CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT CONVENTION ON THE CONTRACT FOR THE CARRIAGE OF GOODS BY INLAND WATERWAY AND ITS ANNEXES (PROTOCOLS 1 AND 2)

The Preparatory Committee may perhaps wish to resume the continuation of the second reading of the draft Convention (consideration of the texts in square brackets, alternative versions and proposals which have not yet been the subject of a consensus or which have been amended) and complete it.

A consolidated text which takes account of the Committee's earlier work has been issued with the symbol TRANS/SC.3/AC.5/1999/21. Articles 1 to 8 of this document are the articles contained in the consolidated draft transmitted by the secretariat following the August 1997 meeting (TRANS/SC.3/AC.5/1998/11), but amended by the rapporteur in accordance with the reference document also transmitted (TRANS/SC.3/AC.5/1999/20). It will be the task of the delegations to decide which text should be kept (initial consolidated draft (TRANS/SC.3/AC.5/1998/11) or the amended version as contained in document TRANS/SC.3/AC.5/1999/21). The reference document (TRANS/SC.3/AC.5/1999/20) gives all the rapporteur's amendments, especially those made to the secretariat's consolidated version.

Articles 12 to 14 are contained in document TRANS/SC.3/AC.5/1997/1 in the form in which they resulted from the first reading.

5. CONTINUATION OF WORK

The Preparatory Committee may perhaps wish to consider the possible establishment of a drafting group for the purpose of putting order into the various versions, and the scheduling of the date and the terms and conditions for the organization of a diplomatic conference for the adoption of the CMNI Convention.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

Under this agenda item the Committee may wish to raise other matters relating to the establishment of the Convention.
