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Studies on transport economics and track costs undertaken by other organizations

<u>Addendum 1</u>

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Infrastructure Capital and Maintenance and Road Damage Costs of Different Heavy Goods Vehicles in the EU (No. VII B1 32/97)

The study reviews road infrastructure costs (including congestion costs) and expenditures in all Member States and Switzerland, with focus on heavy goods vehicles. Considerable differences between member States are demonstrated and a number of sensitive parameters for the procedure to estimate capital values and costs, for the cost allocation to different vehicle categories as well as for the congestion cost estimates are identified. A key conclusion is that there is no need for a harmonized method but for a harmonized methodological framework which could respect national circumstances.