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Working Party on Inland Water Transport

Working Party on the Standardization of Technical and Safety Requirements in Inland Navigation (5-7 June 2002)

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION *

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 10.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 5 June 2002

1. Adoption of the agenda

TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/46

2. Election of officers

3. Updating the European Code for Inland Waterways (CEVNI) TRANS/SC.3/115/Rev.2 TRANS/SC.3/153 TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2002/21

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(d)	Amendment of chapter 6	TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2001/13
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		and Add.1/Corr.1
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EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

In accordance with the Commission's Rules of Procedure, the first item on the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda.

2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

In accordance with the Commission's Rules of Procedure, the Working Party, at its twenty-second session, will elect a Chairman and, possibly, a Vice-Chairman.

3. UPDATING THE EUROPEAN CODE FOR INLAND WATERWAYS (CEVNI)

The Working Party may wish to take note and comment on the text of the second revised version of CEVNI (TRANS/SC.3/115/Rev.2) which is expected to be published by the time of the session. The text will comprise all the amendments made to the previous publication in accordance with the instructions of the Working Party on Inland Water Transport (TRANS/SC.3/153, paras. 19-23). New amendments to CEVNI agreed by the Working Party at its twenty-second session have been put together by the secretariat and issued as TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2002/21.

(a) <u>Amendment of chapter 1</u>

It is recalled that, at its twenty-second session, the Working Party agreed on amendment of article 1.02(7) and asked Governments and river commissions to comment on the proposals of the Netherlands in TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2001/14 regarding the amendment of articles 1.01, 1.07 and 1.09 (TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/44, paras. 5, 6 and 17). The comments and proposals of Governments and river commissions appear in documents TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2002/13 (Germany), TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2002/15 (Danube Commission) and TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2002/16 (Bulgaria, Russian Federation and Ukraine). The Working Party may wish to continue its discussion on amendment of chapter 1 with due regard to the above documentation.

(b) <u>Amendment of chapter 3</u>

At its twenty-second session, the Working Party agreed on amendment of articles 3.01(5)(e), 3.10, 3.16(3) and 3.32 and asked Governments and river commissions to comment on proposals of the Netherlands in TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2001/14 regarding the introduction of a new paragraph 5 in article 3.08 concerning the marking of high-speed vessels (TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/44, paras. 7-10 and 17). The comments and proposals of Governments and river commissions regarding the amendment of chapter 3 appear in documents TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2002/13 (Germany), TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2002/14 (Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine), TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2002/15 (Danube Commission) and TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2002/16 (Bulgaria,

Russian Federation and Ukraine). The Working Party may wish to continue its discussion on amendment of chapter 3 taking into account the documentation available.

(c) <u>Amendment of chapter 4</u>

At its twenty-second session, the Working Party discussed the draft new article 4.05 on radar equipment proposed by Germany and the Netherlands in TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2001/13 and 14 and made a number of remarks in this regard as indicated in TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/44, paras. 16 and 18 asking Governments and river commissions to comment on the proposed amendment of this article taking into account the discussion which took place at that session. The Working Party may wish to continue consideration of this item taking into account the proposals of Governments and of the Danube Commission in TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2002/13, 15 and 16 as well as the draft text of article 4.05 prepared by the Chair with the help of the secretariat as a follow-up to the discussion, which appears in the annex to TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/44.

(d) <u>Amendment of chapter 6</u>

At its twenty-second session, the Working Party agreed on amendment of articles 6.09 and 6.21(5) and invited Governments and river commissions to comment on proposals of Germany and of the Netherlands in TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2001/13 and 14 regarding further amendment of chapter 6 taking into account the discussion held at that session in this regard (TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/44, paras. 12, 13, 17, 18 and 19). The Working Party may wish to continue consideration of amendment of this chapter taking into account the reaction of Governments and of the Danube Commission in TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2002/13, 15 and 16 as well as the draft text of articles 6.30, 6.31, 6.32 and 6.33 prepared by the Chair with the help of the secretariat as a follow-up to the discussion, which appears in the annex to TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/44.

(e) <u>Amendment of annexes 3, 5 and 6</u>

The Working Party, at its twenty-second session, approved the proposal of the Netherlands on amendment of annex 3, as set out in TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2001/14, concerning the marking of high-speed vessels and prohibition of smoking, or using an unprotected lighter or flame (TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/44, para. 15) and had a discussion on possible amendment of annex 6 (TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/44, para. 18 and annex). The Working Party may wish to continue the consideration of possible amendment of annexes 3, 5 and 6 on the basis of proposals received from the Governments of Germany (TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2002/13, annex 5) and Ukraine (TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2002/16, annex 6) and from the CCNR (TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2002/14, annexes 3 and 5).

(f) Future work on amendment of CEVNI

At the twenty-second session, the Working Party took note of the proposals of Ukraine concerning future work on amendment of CEVNI and, given the late receipt of the document, asked Governments and river commissions to comment in writing on the proposal of Ukraine to supplement CEVNI with additional provisions concerning navigation on reservoirs and lakes (TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2001/18). The comments by the delegation of the Russian Federation have been issued as TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2002/18. The Working Party may wish to continue the consideration of the proposal of Ukraine taking into account the above-mentioned view of the Russian Federation.

4. AMENDMENT OF THE SIGNS AND SIGNALS ON INLAND WATERWAYS (SIGNI)

Given the introduction into the revised CEVNI of a number of new or modified signs, the Working Party, at its twenty-second session, agreed to proceed with the amendment of SIGNI as reproduced in TRANS/SC.3/108 and Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1. The secretariat was requested to prepare a black and white copy of draft amendments to SIGNI for consideration by SC.3/WP.3 along the proposal of the Netherlands in TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2001/19. Governments and river commissions were invited to make available to the secretariat their national or international standards for waterway signs and marking with a view to considering if such standards should possibly be added to SIGNI (TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/44, paras. 21 and 22). The information from the Netherlands, Ukraine and from the Danube Commission on standards for waterway signs and marking has been issued as TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2002/17 and Adds.1-2 and the draft amendments to SIGNI prepared by the secretariat will be issued as TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2002/19.

5. RADAR INSTALLATIONS AND RATE-OF-TURN INDICATORS

It is recalled that, at its twentieth session, the Working Party had considered the proposal of the Russian Federation on draft requirements for radar installations and rate-of-turn indicators of inland navigation vessels (TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/1999/19) and had agreed that the first part of it relating to CEVNI should be considered in the course of its twenty-second session in the light of proposals to be prepared by the delegations of Germany and the Netherlands regarding the navigation by radar and the use of radiotelephone under reduced visibility covering the provisions of existing articles 6.30, 6.32, 6.33 and of a newly proposed article 4.05 (TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/40, para. 21).

At its twenty-second session the Working Party, referring to the discussion held on possible amendment of the above-mentioned articles (TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/44, para. 18), invited the

delegation of the Russian Federation to inform the Working Party at its twenty-fourth session if, in its view, any additional amendments should be made to the articles in question. The information from the Government of the Russian Federation has been circulated as TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2002/16. The Working Party may wish to decide on how to proceed further with this item.

6. STANDARDIZATION OF SHIPS AND INLAND WATERWAYS FOR RIVER/SEA NAVIGATION

The Working Party, at its twenty-second session, took note of considerations received from Governments and river commissions on the possible extension of the existing classification of European inland waterways to sea-river navigation suggested in the PIANC study : "Standardization of ships and inland waterways for river/sea navigation" in document TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/1999/21 (TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2000/9 and Add.1 and TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2001/16 and Add.1) and felt that it had sufficient material for formulating its position on the matter and reporting back to the Working Party on Inland Water Transport. Volunteer delegates were invited to draft, together with the secretariat, a discussion paper on possible extension of the existing classification of European inland waterways (annex to resolution No. 30, TRANS/SC.3/131) to sea-river navigation and transmit it for consideration of the Working Party at its twenty-fourth session (TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/44, paras. 25 and 26).

The discussion paper will be issued by the secretariat as TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2002/20. The Working Party may wish to consider it and decide as appropriate.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

At the time of drafting this provisional agenda, there are no proposals under this item.

8. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

In accordance with established practice, the Working Party will adopt the report of its twentyfourth session on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat.



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