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Ad hoc Meeting on the Road Traffic Census 2005 (29-30 September 2003)

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE MEETING1/2/

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva starting at 10.30h on 29 September 2003

- 1. Adoption of the agenda
- 2. Election of officers

^{1/} By decision of the UNOG Conference Services and for reasons of economy, delegates are kindly asked to take copies of the documents referred to in this provisional agenda with them to the Ad hoc Meeting on the Road Traffic Census 2005. Any missing documents may be obtained from the Documents Distribution Section of the United Nations at Geneva (Room C.111, 1st Floor, Palais des Nations).

^{2/} New accreditation procedures have been introduced for all delegates attending meetings held at the Palais des Nations. Therefore, delegates are requested to complete the attached registration form also available from the Internet Web site of the UNECE Transport Division (http//www.unece.org/trans/welcome/html) and to transmit it to the UNECE secretariat, at the latest two weeks prior to the meeting, either by fax (+41 22 917 0039) or by email gina.faure@unece.org or stat.trans@unece.org. Prior to the meeting, delegates are requested to present themselves in person at the Pass and Identification Unit of the UNOG Security and Safety Section (from 08.00h to 17.00h), located at the Villa Les Feuillantines, 13, Avenue de la Paix (a map is attached) for the issuance of an identification badge. There are no possibilities to send these badges in advance by post or any other means. In case of difficulty, please contact by telephone the UNECE secretariat (internal extension 72152 or 72493).

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- 3. Results of the 2000 E-Road Census
 - (a) Presentation of the results of the 2000 E-Road Census
 - (b) French and Russian translations of country notes to the 2000 E-Road Census
- 4. Draft Recommendations to Governments on the Combined Census of Motor Traffic and Inventory of Standards and Parameters on Main International Traffic Arteries in Europe in 2005 ("2005 Combined Census and Inventory")
- 5. Draft Resolution on 2005 E-Road Census and Inventory to be submitted to the Inland Transport Committee
- 6. Other business
- 7. Adoption of the report

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

In accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, the first item to be considered is the **adoption** of the agenda.

2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

In accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure and established practice, the Ad hoc Meeting will **elect** a Chairman.

3. RESULTS OF THE 2000 E-ROAD CENSUS

(a) Presentation of the results of the 2000 E-Road Census

The Ad hoc Meeting will be acquainted with the results of the 2000 Census of Road Traffic on Main International Traffic Arteries which was prepared in the context of a Geographic Information System (GIS). The Census, which takes into account for the second time the automation and the application of the E-Road Census, which allows for greater accuracy, better presentation and improved analysis and updating for further censuses, will be available as a UN Publication (sales number will be communicated to the participants when available).

Particular problems encountered in the preparation of the 2000 Census will be discussed on the basis of informal documentation which will be available at the meeting.

(b) French and Russian translations of country notes to the 2000 E-Road Census

The country notes accompanying the 2000 E-Road Census were elaborated in English only. The French and Russian translations of these country notes will be available in document TRANS/WP.6/AC.2/2003/2.

4. DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS TO GOVERNMENTS ON THE COMBINED CENSUS OF MOTOR TRAFFIC AND INVENTORY OF STANDARDS AND PARAMETERS ON MAIN INTERNATIONAL TRAFFIC ARTERIES IN EUROPE IN 2005 ("2005 COMBINED CENSUS AND INVENTORY")

As in the 2000 Census and on the basis of a decision of the Working Party on Road Traffic to include the inventory of main standards and parameters of the E-Road network in the E-Road Traffic Census (SC.1) (TRANS/SC.1/361, para. 17), Governments and interested international organizations are invited to prepare the recommendations for the 2005 Combined Census of Road Traffic and Inventory of Standards and Parameters on Main International Traffic Arteries in Europe. As a basis for discussion, the Ad hoc Meeting may wish to **consider** draft recommendations for the 2005 Census (TRANS/WP.6/AC.2/2003/1) and to **propose** any modification considered necessary.

The Ad hoc Meeting may wish to consider, in particular, the following issues:

- (a) Purpose and Usage of the Combined Census and Inventory.
- (b) Coverage of the Combined Census and Inventory (European Agreement on Main International Traffic Arteries (AGR)) (ECE/TRANS/16 and Amends.1-8), in the light of the extension of the E-Road Network to Central Asian and Caucasus UNECE member States.
- (c) <u>Design</u> of the GIS database (integration of digitized information on Census and Inventory).
- (d) <u>Scope</u> of the Combined Census and Inventory (values to be reported, holiday traffic, peak-hour traffic, night traffic and others).
- (e) <u>New</u> infrastructure <u>variables</u> to be reported (design speeds, average width of traffic lanes, central reserves and emergency stopping strips, others).
- (f) Comparability with the 2000 Census.
- (g) Compilation of data, including maps in the GIS database.

5. DRAFT RESOLUTION ON 2005 E-ROAD CENSUS AND INVENTORY TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE INLAND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

The Ad hoc Meeting may wish to **consider and approve** the draft Resolution on the 2005 E Road Census and Inventory, as prepared by the secretariat and annexed to this agenda. The Meeting may wish to **transmit** it to the Inland Transport Committee for adoption at its sixty-sixth session (17-19 February 2004).

6. OTHER BUSINESS

The Ad hoc Meeting may wish to **discuss** the possibilities of producing the 2005 Census results on a CD-ROM, as well as the possibilities for putting a portion of the data on the Transport Division's Internet Home Page.

The Ad hoc Meeting may wish to **consider and set** timetables and deadlines for the various phases of the project.

7. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

In accordance with established practice, the Ad hoc Meeting will **adopt** the report on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat. Due to the length of the Ad hoc session, the report will be adopted in English only and will subsequently be translated into French and Russian. The report will be sent to the participants of the Meeting and to the Working Party on Transport Statistics. It will also be available on the web page of the UNECE Transport Division. The Recommendations to Governments for the 2005 Census will be prepared by the secretariat as an addendum to the final report.

Annex

2005 Combined Census of Road Traffic and Inventory of Main Standards and Parameters on Main International Traffic Arteries in Europe (E-Road Census and Inventory)

Draft Resolution No. ...

to be submitted to the Inland Transport Committee at its sixty-sixth session (17-19 February 2004)

The Inland Transport Committee,

Having regard to the last paragraph of its resolution No. 169 of 15 January 1954 (E/ECE/TRANS/445),

- 1. <u>Invites</u> Governments:
- (a) To take a census of traffic on the ERoads on their national territory, in accordance with the European Agreement on Main International Traffic Arteries in Europe (AGR), and in line with the Recommendations to Governments for the 2005 Combined Census of Road Traffic and Inventory of Main Standards and Parameters on Main International Traffic Arteries in Europe (E-Road Census and Inventory) as set forth in UNECE document TRANS/WP.6/AC.2/15/Add.1 considering 2000 as the reference year.
- (b) To supply the results of the combined E-Road Census and Inventory to the UNECE secretariat, if possible before **1 November 2006**, in conformity with the Recommendations set forth in UNECE document TRANS/WP.6/AC.2/15/Add.1.
- 2. <u>Recommends</u> that Governments take a census of traffic on other non-urban roads in their national territory, applying where possible, the methods set out in the Recommendations mentioned under paragraph 1(a) above.
- 3. <u>Requests</u> Governments to inform the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) by 31 September 2004 whether they agree to implement the provisions of this resolution.



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