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PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE FIFTY-SIXTH SESSION 1/2/2

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 10.30 a.m. on Wednesday, 8 June 2005

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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. ACTIVITIES OF UNECE BODIES OF INTEREST TO THE WORKING PARTY

(a) Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)

The sixtieth session of the Economic Commission for Europe was held in Geneva from 22 to 25 February 2005.

The Working Party may wish **to be informed** about the decisions taken by the Commission at its sixtieth session, concerning such questions as the UNECE reform, major policy directions in UNECE's work, and UNECE technical assistance.

(b) Inland Transport Committee and its subsidiary bodies

The Inland Transport Committee (ITC) held its sixty-seventh session in Geneva from 15 to 17 February 2005.

The Working Party may wish **to be informed** about matters of interest considered by the Committee, in particular in the work area of transport statistics of the Committee's report (ECE/TRANS/162).

(c) Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP)

The Working Party may wish **to be informed** about the outcome of the third session of Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP) Steering Committee (11-12 April 2005), which may have relevance for the activities of the Working Party. The Steering Committee is responsible for the implementation of the THE PEP, established by the Second High-Level Meeting on Transport, Environment and Health (5 July 2002).

(d) Transport and environment reporting mechanism (TERM)

The Working Party may wish to be **informed** by the TERM representative about the new developments within the European Environment Agency (EEA) regarding the TERM.

3. INTERSECRETARIAT WORKING GROUP ON TRANSPORT STATISTICS (IWG)

(a) Annual report of the activities of the IWG

Documents: Informal document 1.

The Working Party may wish **to be informed about** and **to discuss** the report of the IWG meeting, that took place on 25 and 26 November 2004 in Paris. The report of the meetings will be circulated in Informal document 1 for **consideration** and **adoption** by the Working Party (TRANS/WP.6/147, para. 7).

(b) Pilot questionnaires for road and rail statistics

The representative from the Eurostat will **inform** the Working Party about the activities related to the pilot questionnaires for road and rail statistics (TRANS/WP.6/147, para. 17).

4. METHODOLOGICAL DE VELOPMENT AND HARMONIZATION OF TRANSPORT STATISTICS

(a) Glossary of Transport Statistics

Documents: TRANS/WP.6/2005/1.

- (i) IWG will inform the Working Party on the ongoing work within IWG regarding future updates of the Glossary. This will include considerations about the chapter on rail traffic accidents (TRANS/WP.6/147, paras. 9, 10 and 20). The Working Party may wish to endorse the work of the IWG.
- (ii) A new classification of navigable inland waterways was adopted in 1992 by the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) (resolution No.30) and the European Conference of Ministers of Transport (ECMT) (CEMT/CM(92)6 Final). The IWG, during its meeting on 25 and 26 November 2004 in Paris, agreed to introduce this new classification of navigable inland waterways as an update of the Glossary for Transport Statistics. The Working Party may wish **to consider** and **adopt** document TRANS/WP.6/2005/1 without alterations and to include it in the Glossary, as well as to include these new parameters in the common questionnaire.

(b) Web version of the Common Questionnaire

The Working Party may wish to be **briefed** by the representative of Eurostat about the new developments regarding the Internet version of the Common Questionnaire for Transport Statistics (TRANS/WP.6/147, para. 11).

(c) <u>Presentation of the Draft Common Questionnaire on Road Traffic Accident</u> Statistics

Documents: TRANS/WP.6/2005/3.

The Working Party may wish **to consider** document (TRANS/WP.6/2005/3) prepared by the secretariat about the availability of data on (i) the involvement of heavy commercial vehicles in road traffic accidents and (ii) variables concerning speed of vehicles, safety distance (rear-end collision), not wearing helmet (cyclists, motorcyclists) and not using seatbets. The Working Party may also wish **to be informed** and **to consider** developments regarding the Internet version of the Common Questionnaire for Road Traffic Accidents Statistics prepared by IWG (TRANS/WP.6/147, paras. 11, 14 and 16).

(d) <u>Information about the adoption of the finalized revision of the new classification</u> system for transport statistics (NST/2000)

<u>Documents</u>: TRANS/WP.6/2004/1/Rev.1.

The Working Party may wish **to be informed** about the adoption by the ITC and the Conference of European Statisticians of the final version (TRANS/WP.6/2004/1/Rev.1) of the proposal for a future subdivision of the NST/2000 classes which would serve as a model for all UNECE countries (TRANS/WP.6/147, paras. 18 and 19).

(e) <u>Harmonization of urban and regional transport statistics (Follow-up to the</u> Barcelona Task Force on Sustainable Urban Transport Indicators)

Documents: TRANS/WP.6/2005/2.

The Working Party may wish **to take note** that, in accordance with its request at the fifty-fifth session, the results achieved by the UNECE ad hoc meeting on the harmonization of urban and regional transport statistics, which was hosted by the Czech Republic in Prague (15 and 16 May 2003) as a follow-up meeting to the Barcelona Task Force on Sustainable Urban Transport Indicators (28 and 29 March 2000, Barcelona), were translated into the French and Russian languages and put on the web next to the Glossary for further reference (TRANS/WP.6/147, para. 20).

(f) <u>Transport of gas through pipelines</u>

In accordance with the request by the Working Party (TRANS/WP.6/147, para. 24), Eurogas will inform the Working Party about the definitions used in Eurogas regarding statistics of gas transmission through pipelines.

(g) Compendium and data collection

In accordance with its request (TRANS/WP.6/143, para. 43), the Working Party may wish **to discuss** the issue of data collection and the compendium of transport statistics.

5. TRANSPORT DATABASE AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT

(a) <u>Status report on the Trans-European Railway (TER) Project and Trans-European</u> North-South Motorway (TEM) Project Databases

<u>Documents</u>: TRANS/WP.6/2005/4; TRANS/WP.6/2005/5.

The Working Party **will be informed** about the progress made in the development of the databases established by the Trans-European Railway (TER) Project (TRANS/WP.6/2005/4) and the Trans-European North-South Motorway (TEM) Project (TRANS/WP.6/2005/5) (TRANS/WP.6/147, para. 26). The documents were prepared on the basis of information provided by the representatives of the Project Central Offices (PCO) of both projects.

(b) Sources of transport statistics on the Internet

In accordance with its request (TRANS/WP.6/147, para. 28), the Working Party may wish **to take note of** the updated list of Internet links provided by the secretariat and made available on the UNECE Transport Statistics Home Page: http://www.unece.org/trans/main/wp6/transstatlinks.html

Under this agenda item, the Working Party may **request** member countries to continue to inform the secretariat regularly about changes in the addresses of the relevant web sites in order to have the home page up to date.

6. TRAFFIC CENSUSES IN THE UNECE REGION

(a) <u>Preparations for the 2005 Combined Census of Motor Traffic Inventory of</u> Standards and Parameters on Main International Traffic Arteries in Europe

<u>Documents</u>: TRANS/WP.6/AC.2/16; TRANS/WP.6/AC.2/16/Add.1; TRANS/WP.6/AC.2/16/Add.2; TRANS/WP.6/2005/6.

(i) The Working Party may wish **to remind** the delegations to continue to implement the activities related to the 2005 E-Road Census, as well as to respect the deadline for the submission of the results to the secretariat **before 1 March 2007** (TRANS/WP.6/AC.2/16/Add.1, para. 34)) (TRANS/WP.6/147, para. 29).

(ii) In accordance with the request by the Working Party, the secretariat prepared document TRANS/WP.6/2005/6 regarding costs and benefits of undertaking more frequent E-Road Censuses for **discussion** (TRANS/WP.6/147, para. 31).

(b) <u>Preparations for an E-Rail Census (AGC)</u>

Documents: TRANS/WP.6/AC.4/2; TRANS/WP.6/AC.4/2/Add.1.

The Working Party may wish **to remind** the delegations to continue to implement the activities related to the 2005 E-Rail Census as well as to respect the deadline for the submission of the results to the secretariat and Eurostat **before 30 June 2007** (TRANS/WP.6/AC.4/2/Add.1, para. 24) (TRANS/WP.6/147, para. 29).

7. UN/EDIFACT AND OTHER DEVELOPMENTS IN ELECTRONIC DATA INTERCHANGE (EDI)

The Working Party may wish **to continue to have an exchange of views** regarding UN/EDIFACT, as well as other developments in electronic data interchange related to the transport sector (TRANS/WP.6/147, para. 34).

8. ACTIVITIES OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OF INTEREST TO THE WORKING PARTY

The Working Party may wish **to receive oral reports** from the representatives of the following organizations on their current and future activities in the field of transport statistics. Representatives of these organizations are kindly asked to transmit by email to the secretariat a brief written summary (not more than 250 words) about their activities two weeks before the session.

- (a) European Commission (EC)
- (b) Eurostat
- (c) European Conference of Ministers of Transport (ECMT)
- (d) European Environment Agency (EEA)
- (e) International Union of Railways (UIC)
- (f) Activities of other international organizations.

9. DRAFT PROGRAMME OF WORK FOR 2005-2009

Documents: TRANS/WP.6/2005/7.

The Working Party may wish **to discuss** its draft Programme of Work for 2005-2009 as circulated in document (TRANS/WP.6/147, para. 40).

10. OTHER BUSINESS

(a) Publication of periodicals done under the auspices of the Working Party

The Working Party may wish to **consider** the issue of publication of the following periodicals: Annual Bulletin of Transport Statistics, Statistics of Road Traffic Accidents in Europe and North America, and Handbook of Transport Indicators, as well as censuses (TRANS/WP.6/147, para. 41).

(b) Information on upcoming meetings on transport statistics

The Working Party may wish **to consider** dates and locations of meetings in 2005-2006 of the following bodies:

- Intersecretariat Working Group on Transport Statistics
- Coordinating Committee for Transport Statistics (CCST).

(c) Date of next session

The Working Party may wish to decide on the date for its next session. The secretariat has tentatively scheduled the fifty-seventh session to be held from 7 to 9 June 2006 in Geneva.

11. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

In accordance with established practice, the secretariat will prepare a list of decisions taken at the meeting for adoption by the Working Party. This list will later be incorporated into the report of the session that will be prepared by its Chairman with the assistance of the secretariat after the session.



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