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PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE SESSION**

Addendum

List of documents per agenda item and annotations

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/24 (Secretariat) Provisional agenda ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/24/Add.1 (Secretariat) List of documents

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Background documents

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/23 Report of the Joint Meeting of

Experts on its eleventh session

(23-24 January 2007)

ECE/TRANS/190, Vol. I and II ADN 2007

2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

In accordance with the rules of procedure of the Economic Commission for Europe and established practice, the Meeting will elect a Chairman and possibly a Vice-Chairman.

3. STATUS OF THE EUROPEAN AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL CARRIAGE OF DANGEROUS GOODS BY INLAND WATERWAYS (ADN)

As of 9 November 2007, the Agreement had been signed (subject to ratification) by 10 States: Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Moldova, Netherlands and Slovakia.

The Netherlands deposited an instrument of acceptance on 30 April 2003. Bulgaria and Luxembourg deposited instruments of ratification on 7 March 2006 and 24 May 2007 respectively. The Russian Federation, Hungary and Austria acceded to ADN on 10 October 2002, 4 May 2004 and 9 November 2004, respectively.

4. PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE REGULATIONS ANNEXED TO ADN

(a) Work of the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2008/9 (Secretariat) Draft amendments adopted by the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting at its

March 2006, September 2006, March 2007 and September 2007 sessions

(b) Protection of the aquatic environment

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2008/3 and -/Add.1 Proposal by CCNR adopted to take

(Secretariat) account of the outcome of the September 2007 session of the

RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting

(c) Miscellaneous proposals for amendments

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2008/5 (Germany) Chapter 7.2, Gas-freeing Section 1.1.6.2, Issuance of certificates of approval

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2008/7 (CCNR) Alternative constructions for tank

vessels

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2008/8 (CCNR) Miscellaneous proposals of

amendments

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2008/10 (Secretariat) Use of the term "Transport Unit"

5. MATTERS RELATING TO THE RECOGNITION OF CLASSIFICATION SOCIETIES

Following the discussions about the application of the Russian Maritime Register of Shipping at the last session (see ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/23, paras. 17-19), the Russian Maritime Register of Shipping provided additional information to the representatives of Austria, France and Germany. Thereafter, the representative of Germany informed the Register, on behalf of the delegations of Austria, France and Germany, that it was established that the Register had the capacity to issue approvals concerning ships built under the requirements of Chapter 9.2 of ADN (SOLAS rules), but that it was not established that it met the criteria for approvals concerning vessels built under the requirements of Chapter 9.3. They proposed a two-step procedure. In the first step, a recommendation could be made to the ADN Administrative Committee to allow the Register to issue certificates assessing the conformity of vessels built under Chapter 9.2 of ADN. The extension of that approval to vessels constructed under Chapter 9.3 would be considered once the appropriate rules concerning Chapter 9.3 in the Russian Maritime Register of Shipping Rules of Classification had been clearly established.

6. PROGRAMME OF WORK AND CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2008/1 (Secretariat) Draft programme of work for 2008-2012

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2008/2 (Secretariat) Biennal evaluations

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

No proposals have been received in connection with this agenda item.

8. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

In accordance with its usual practice, the Joint Meeting will adopt the report of its twelfth session on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat.