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PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE SESSION

Addendum¹

Annotations to the agenda

Item 1. Adoption of the agenda

1. The Administrative Committee may wish to consider and adopt the agenda for the session drawn up by the secretariat and issued under the symbol ECE/ADN/5 and Add.1.

Item 2. Status of the European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways (ADN)

2. Eleven States are Contracting Parties to ADN: Austria, Bulgaria, Croatia, France, Germany, Hungary, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Republic of Moldova, Romania and Russian Federation. ADN entered into force on 29 February 2008 and the annexed Regulations entered into force on 28 February 2009 for all States which became Contracting Parties prior to 1 February 2009. For States which become Contracting Parties after that date, the annexed regulations will enter into force one month after the deposit of their instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, in accordance with article 11, paragraph 2.

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3. The amendments to ADN adopted by the Administrative Committee at its first session, circulated for acceptance by Contracting Parties under depositary notification C.N.615.2008.TREATIES-5 of 31 August 2008, entered into force on 28 February 2009.

Item 3. Matters relating to the implementation of ADN

(a) Recognition of classification societies

4. The Administrative Committee may wish to note that information has been provided by the Governments of Germany and Hungary (see ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/31/Add.1). The secretariat has received no new request recommending additional classification societies for recognition.

(b) Special authorizations, derogations and equivalents

5. The Administrative Committee may wish to consider the information from the Netherlands regarding requests for special authorizations and decide how to deal with such requests in the future (Informal document INF.4 submitted to the 15th session of the ADN Safety Committee).

(c) Miscellaneous notifications

6. On 16 April 2009, the Secretariat sent a letter to the Permanent Missions of ADN Contracting Parties in Geneva requesting countries to submit the various notifications required by ADN (see ECE/ADN/4, Annex). The Permanent Missions were asked to forward the request to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs or other Ministries concerned by ADN.

(d) Other matters

7. The Administrative Committee may wish to consider any other matters related to the implementation of the ADN.

Item 4. Work of the Safety Committee

8. The Administrative Committee may wish to consider the outcome of the discussions of the fifteenth session of the Safety Committee as regards the proposed amendments to the Regulations annexed to the ADN.

Item 5. Programme of work and calendar of meetings

9. The fourth session of the Administrative Committee has been scheduled to take place in the afternoon of 28 January 2010 and in the morning of 29 January 2010 in Geneva.

Item 6. Election of officers for 2010

10. The Administrative Committee is expected to elect a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for its sessions in 2010.

Item 7. Any other business

11. The Administrative Committee may wish to discuss any other issue that may be raised in relation to its work and mandate.

Item 8. Adoption of the report

12. The Administrative Committee may wish to adopt the report on its third session on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat.