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1997 AGREEMENT (INSPECTIONS)

Status of the Agreement

Note by the secretariat */

This document reflects the status of the Agreement concerning the adoption of uniform conditions for periodical technical inspections of wheeled vehicles and the reciprocal recognition of such inspections (1997 Agreement) as available to the secretariat at 1 November 2008.

*/ In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2006-2010 (ECE/TRANS/166/Add.1, programme activity 02.4), the World Forum will develop, harmonize and update Regulations in order to enhance performance of vehicles. The present document is submitted in conformity with that mandate.

AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE ADOPTION OF UNIFORM CONDITIONS
FOR PERIODICAL TECHNICAL INSPECTIONS OF WHEELED VEHICLES
AND THE RECIPROCAL RECOGNITION OF SUCH INSPECTIONS

1. Status of the Agreement

The Agreement entered into force on 27 January 2001 (Depositary Notification C.N.1074.2000.TREATIES-2, dated 30 November 2000).

Correction to Article 11, paragraph g of the Agreement (Depositary Notification C.N. 145.2004 TREATIES-2, dated 4 March 2004).

Amendment to Article 12 of the Agreement entered into force on 1 December 2004 (Depositary Notification C.N. 892.2004 TREATIES-4, dated 2 September 2004).

Amendments to Articles 1, 2, 12 and to Appendix 2 to the Agreement entered into force on 4 July 2007 (Depositary Notification C.N. 405.2007 TREATIES-2, dated 17 April 2007).

2. Status of the Rules annexed to the Agreement

Rule No. 1 entered into force on 4 December 2001 as Addendum 1 to the Agreement (Depositary Notification C.N.1410.2001.TREATIES-3, dated 7 December 2001); document ECE/RCTE/CONF/4/Add.1 has been published on 30 April 2002.

Amendment to Rule No. 1 entered into force on 15 February 2007 (Depositary Notification C.N.216.2007.TREATIES-1, dated 16 February 2007).

3. Contracting Parties to the Agreement (11):

Russian Federation by definitive signing (13 November 1997: Depositary Notification (Reissued) C.N.564.1997.TREATIES-18, dated 19 October 1999); effective 27 January 2001;

Estonia by accession (9 September 1998: Depositary Notification C.N.455.1998.TREATIES-1, dated 23 October 1998); effective 27 January 2001;

Netherlands by signing (13 November 1997) and ratification (5 February 1999: Depositary Notification C.N.52.1999.TREATIES-1, dated 8 February 1999); effective 27 January 2001;

Romania by signing (13 November 1997) and ratification (24 February 1999: fax of OLA, dated 25 February 1999, Depositary Notification has not been received); effective 27 January 2001;

Hungary by signing (13 November 1997) and ratification (28 November 2000: Depositary Notification C.N.1070.2000.TREATIES-1, dated 30 November 2000); effective 27 January 2001;

Finland by signing (13 November 1997) and ratification (20 April 2001: Depositary Notification C.N.352.2001 TREATIES -1, dated 24 April 2001); effective 19 June 2001;

Bulgaria by accession (11 July 2003: Depositary Notification C.N.738.2003 TREATIES -1, dated 11 July 2003); effective 9 September 2003;

Belarus by accession (2 March 2004: Depository Notification C.N.203.2004 TREATIES – 3, dated 3 March 2004); effective 1 May 2004;

Albania by accession (22 December 2004: Depository Notification C.N.1316.2004 TREATIES – 4, dated 23 December 2004); effective 20 February 2005;

Ukraine by signing (13 November 1997) and ratification (17 January 2007: Depository Notification C.N.34.2007.TREATIES–1, dated 17 January 2007); effective 18 March 2007;

Moldova by accession (5 December 2007: Depository Notification C.N.1123.2007.TREATIES - 2, dated 6 December 2007); effective 3 February 2008. */

4. Signatories Pending Ratification (17): **/

Austria; Belgium; Cyprus; Czech Republic; Denmark; France; Georgia; Germany; Greece; Ireland; Italy; Portugal; Spain; Sweden; Switzerland; United Kingdom signed at Vienna (13 November 1997: Depository Notifications C.N.549 to 569.1997.TREATIES-3, dated 17 June 1999);

Slovakia signed at Geneva (29 June 1998: Depository Notification C.N.870.1998.TREATIES-2, dated 18 June 1999).

*/ Application of Regulation No. 1 by Moldova, 3 February 2008. No depository notification was created for this action because the Rule enters into force for all Contracting Parties to the Agreement which did not notify their disagreement thereto, in accordance with 2 (3). The date listed under "Application of rule" reflects the date of the entry into force of the Rule for those States parties to the Agreement, at the time of the entry into force of the Rule, which did not notify their disagreement thereto, in accordance with article 2(3) of the Agreement.

**/ At its 126th session, WP.29 asked the European Community (EC) to give a clear message to its Member States, either by becoming Contracting Party to the Agreement, or by explicitly encouraging the Member States to do so (TRANS/WP.29/841, paras. 113-115). At its fourth session, AC.4 agreed on the amendment of Article 12 of the Agreement, which can facilitate the accession to the Agreement by the European Community and its Member States. The amendment to Article 12 entered into force on 1 December 2004. Furthermore, the European Commission requested additional amendments to the Agreement to facilitate the EU accession to the Agreement. Such amendments entered into force on 4 July 2007. At its 145th session, the representative of the EC declared that the EC had decided not acceding to the 1997 Agreement.

5. Notifications by the Contracting Parties regarding the Administrative Authorities and Technical Services

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4	RAR Bacau	25	RAR Iasi

5	RAR Bihor	26	RAR Maramures
6	RAR Bistrita Nasaud	27	RAR Mehedinti
7	RAR Botosani	28	RAR Mures
8	RAR Brasov	29	RAR Neamt
9	RAR Braila	30	RAR Olt
10	RAR Bucuresti	31	RAR Prahova
11	RAR Buzau	32	RAR Satu Mare
12	RAR Caras Severin	33	RAR Salaj
13	RAR Calarasi	34	RAR Sibiu
14	RAR Cluj	35	RAR Suceava
15	RAR Constanta	36	RAR Teleorman
16	RAR Covasna	37	RAR Timis
17	RAR Dambovita	38	RAR Tulcea
18	RAR Dolj	39	RAR Vaslui
19	RAR Galati	40	RAR Valcea
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4	121 - 160	Beltehosmotr Vitebsk
5	161 - 190	Beltehosmotr Mogilev
6	191 - 220	Beltehosmotr Gomel
