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CUSTOMS CONVENTION ON THE INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT OF GOODS UNDER COVER OF TIR CARNETS (TIR CONVENTION) GENEVA, 14 NOVEMBER 1975

PROPOSAL OF AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 2 OF THE CONVENTION

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

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On 3 November 2017, the Administrative Committee for the 1975 TIR Convention of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) transmitted to the Secretary-General, in accordance with the provisions of article 59 (1) and (2) of the Convention, a proposal of amendment to article 2 of the Convention, adopted at its sixty-sixth session, held in Geneva on 12 October 2017.

The text of the proposal of amendment is contained in document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2017/16 and is available on the website of the UNECE Sustainable Transport Division at the following addresses:

http://www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/trans/bcf/ac2/documents/2017/ECE-TRANS-WP30-AC2-2017-16e.pdf (English);

http://www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/trans/bcf/ac2/documents/2017/ECE-TRANS-WP30-AC2-2017-16f.pdf (French);

http://www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/trans/bcf/ac2/documents/2017/ECE-TRANS-WP30-AC2-2017-16r.pdf (Russian).

In connection with the above-mentioned proposed amendment, reference is made to the procedure set forth in article 59, paragraph 3, of the Convention which reads as follows:

"3. Except as provided for under Article 60, any proposed amendment communicated in accordance with the preceding paragraph shall come into force with respect to all Contracting parties three months after the expiry of a period of twelve months following the date of

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communication of the proposed amendment during which period no objection to the proposed amendment has been communicated to the Secretary-General of the United Nations by a State which is a Contracting Party."

In accordance with the provisions of article 59 (3) of the Convention, the above-mentioned proposed amendment will come into force with respect to all Contracting Parties three months after the expiry of a period of twelve months following the date of this communication during which no objection to the proposed amendments has been communicated to the Secretary-General of the United Nations by a State which is a Contracting Party.

3 November 2017

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