



Economic Commission for Europe**Administrative Committee for the TIR Convention, 1975****Seventy-second session**

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Revision of the Convention**Amendment proposals to the Convention transmitted by the Working Party****Note by the secretariat****I. Background and mandate**

1. At its seventy-first session (October 2019), the Committee recalled that, so far, it accepted proposals to amend Article 6, paragraph 1, Explanatory Note 0.6.2 and Annex 9, Part I, paragraph 1, adjusting the existing wording to include the term “customs authorities or other competent authorities”, as well as proposals to amend Article 18 and to add a new Explanatory Note 0.18.3. The Committee considered document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2019/6/Rev.1 for formal adoption by the Committee. The Committee took note that the secretariat had tentatively amended the document, which now includes, in Annex II, proposals to amend Article 20 and Explanatory Note 0.8.3 and, in Annex III, proposals to amend the comments to Explanatory Note 0.8.3 and the comment “Several customs offices of departure and/or destination” to Article 18. In view of the fact that the proposed amendments in Annexes II and III had never been discussed, the Committee agreed that it could only formally adopt those contained in Annex I, although it recognized that the amendments in Annexes II and III were of a pure technical nature. The Committee requested the secretariat to issue the proposals in Annexes II and III as a new document for consideration and, possibly, adoption at its next session (ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/145, paragraph 47).

2. Further to this request, the secretariat transmits in Annex I various amendment proposals adopted by the Working Party at its 151st session (February 2019) (see ECE/TRANS/WP.30/2019/302, paras. 11 and 12). The purpose of proposals to amend two comments, as contained in Annex II to this document, is to bring their text in line with adopted proposals to amend Article 18 of the Convention as well as Explanatory Note 0.8.3.

Annex I

1. Article 20, line 1

For the existing text substitute For journeys in the territory of a Contracting Party or several Contracting Parties forming a customs or economic union, the competent customs authorities

2. Annex 6, Explanatory Note to Article 8, paragraph 3, end of first paragraph

For \$US 200,000 substitute 400.000 euros

Annex II

1. Comment to Explanatory Note 0.8.3, fourth and fifth line

For \$US 50,000 substitute 100.000 euros; for \$US 200,000 substitute 400.000 euros

2. Comment to Article 18 “Several customs offices of departure and/or destination”, fourth line

For four substitute eight
