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ACTIVITIES AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE TIR EXECUTIVE BOARD (TIRExB)

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION OF THE TIRExB AND THE TIR SECRETARIAT

AUDIT OF THE UN BOARD OF AUDITORS

Transmitted by the International Road Transport Union (IRU)

1. At the thirty-ninth session of the Administrative Committee, 6 October 2005, the IRU presented in document TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2005/17 detailed information about its role in the financing of the operation of TIRExB and the TIR secretariat. The document contained a summary of amounts transferred to UN and the amounts collected by the IRU in the years 1999 to 2004, certified by the elected auditor of IRU, KPMG.

2. According to the summary, the balance of amounts transferred and collected showed that IRU over the 6 years had transferred CHF 275,224 more to UN than collected, when distributing TIR Carnets.

3. An update of the information for the year 2005 shows that IRU has transferred US$ 882,982 = CHF 1,049,004 in November 2004 to cover the budget for 2005. Based on the number of TIR Carnets distributed in 2005, which IRU has informed about in another Informal Document, the amount collected was CHF 0.30 x 3,240,650 = CHF 972,195. The balance at the end of 2005 shows that over the 7 years 1999 to 2005 IRU has transferred CHF 352,033 more than collected. The figures for 2005 are not final and have not yet been audited by the IRU external independent Auditors (KPMG).

4. For 2006 the IRU has transferred US$ 779,000 = CHF 1,008,805. Based on the actual figures for 2005 and the expected orders from national organizations for 1st Half Year 2006, the forecast for TIR Carnets to be distributed by the IRU in 2006 has been revised from 1.9 million to 2.5 million. IRU intends to collect 0.35 CHF per TIR Carnet distributed in 2006.