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Informal Ad hoc Expert Group on Conceptual and
Technical aspects of Computerization of the TIR Procedure

Tenth session

Geneva, 25 and 26 September 2006

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE TENTH SESSION*

to be held at the Palais the Nations, Geneva
starting at 10.00 hours on Monday, 25 September 2006

I. PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2006/6
2. Activities of the informal ad hoc Expert Group
 - (a) Report of the Ankara Customs Experts ECE/TRANS/WP.30/ GE.1/2006/

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| (b) | Reference Model of the TIR procedure | ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2006/7
Version 1.6.a |
| (c) | Future projects for the Reference Model
of the TIR Procedure | ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2006/8
ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2006/9
ECE/TRANS/WP.30/2006/1 |

3. Other business

4. Date and place of next session

5. Report

Annex 1: Open issues

Annex 2: Decisions related to the open issues

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II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Item 1 Adoption of the Agenda

1. The informal ad hoc Expert Group on Conceptual and Technical Aspects of Computerization of the TIR Procedure (hereafter referred to as: 'Expert Group') may wish to adopt its agenda (ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2006/6).

Item 2 Activities of the Expert Group

(a) Report of the Ankara Customs Experts meeting

2. At the kind invitation of the Undersecretariat for Customs of the Republic of Turkey, Customs and IT Experts from the European Commission, Finland, Lithuania, Netherlands, Serbia and Turkey met in Ankara on 27-28 June 2006. The UNECE TIR secretariat also attended the meeting. The Expert Group may wish to consider the in informal report of the meeting contained in document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2006/Informal Document No. 4.

(b) Reference Model of the TIR Procedure

3. Following the ninth session of the Expert Group, the secretariat was requested to update the Reference Model of the TIR Procedure, reflecting all decisions taken during the session. At the same time the secretariat was requested correct any possibly remaining discrepancies in the text of the reference model. The updated text is contained in TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2006/7, version 1.6.a. The Expert Group may wish to endorse the amendments to the Reference Model.

(c) Future projects for the Reference Model of the TIR Procedure

Issue: 41, 64, 65

4. The Expert Group may wish to consider and amend documents ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2006/8 and ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2006/9 containing respectively an update of the introduction to chapter 2 as requested by the Working Party (the document was submitted to the Working Party under the quote ECE/TRANS/WP.30/2006/8) and a draft e-Business requirements chapter prepared during the meeting held in Ankara by Customs IT Experts.

5. The first document aims at describing the eTIR project from a high level point of view and how it should be develop, where as the second documents identifies the requirements of the eTIR project in the form of a use case analysis.

6. With regard to a step by step implementation of the eTIR project (issue 41), Customs IT expert at the meeting held in Ankara were of the view that both steps identified so far

could be analysed together as two separate modules so that countries that would like to implement them together, for example to reduce implementation costs, could do so. The Expert Group may wish to discuss this issue.

7. Furthermore, the Expert Group may wish to reconsider the different ways in which the eTIR system could allow for the exchange between Customs authorities of advance cargo information / prior notification (issue 65). In order to do so, the group may wish to consider document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/2006/1, which was not discussed by WP.30 at its previous meetings.

Item 3 Other Business

8. The Expert Group may wish to be informed of other activities of interest for the computerization of the TIR procedure, such as the European Community TIR/NCTS pilot project, the developments of the ITDB projects or the developments at the WCO concerning the elaboration of the transit data model.

Item 4 Date and Place of Next Session

9. The Expert Group may wish to decide on possible dates and location for its next session, to be held in the spring of 2007.

Item 5 Report

10. In the course of the session, the secretariat will keep track of all issues raised and decisions taken (validated) by the Expert Group. These will be reflected in a list of issues and decisions to be annexed to the draft report that will be issued and circulated shortly after the meeting. The report will also be submitted for endorsement to the Working Party.

ANNEX 1 – OPEN ISSUES

No	Subject	Description	Date	Source	Related decision(s)	Solved
41	Chapter 2	Following WP.30 decision regarding the step-by-step approach for the development of the project, ExG underlines the necessity to elaborate a detailed description of the final product in order to be able to split the work into various steps.	1-2 Mar. 04	ExG (Geneva)	78, 94, 100, 108, 109, 60	0
64	2. E-Business Requirements	Proposal: alternative Chapter 2, E-Business Requirements of the Reference Model (document ExG/COMP/2005/7).	17 Jan. 05	IRU	105	0
65	Intro to Chapter 2	The ExG wonders what is the best option to provide advance cargo information (push or pull information?)	14-15.Nov.05	ExG (Geneva)	107	0

ANNEX 2 – DECISIONS RELATED TO THE OPEN ISSUES

Decision. No	Issue No	Description	Date	Source	Version ¹
60	41	ExG requests the secretariat to take on board the various views expressed during the session and to prepare a draft specification of the eTIR Project, describing the various steps to be undertaken in order arrive at the final objective of computerization of the TIR Carnet life cycle.	1-2 Mar. 04	ExG (Geneva)	
78	41	ExG requests the secretariat to prepare a document for its next session taking account of its comments. Collaboration with EU in the preparation of the document is foreseen.	28-29 Jun. 04	ExG(Warsaw)	
94	41	ExG will provide the secretariat with written comments on document ExG/COMP/2004/23. The comments will be provided together with concrete alternative proposals and should be submitted long enough in advance to allow the secretariat to prepare documents for the forthcoming session.	26-27 Oct. 04	ExG (Geneva)	
100	41	ExG requested the secretariat to work in collaboration with the European Commission to provide for its next session a document combining the ideas from the Commission's presentation and elements of document ExG/COMP/2004/23.	26-27 May 05	ExG (Geneva)	
105	64	ExG decides to revert to doc ExG/COMP/2005/7, if necessary, for the elaboration of Chapter 2 of the Reference Model.	14-15 Nov. 05	ExG (Geneva)	
107	65	ExG requests to submit a short document to WP.30 on the various options that would allow for the exchange of advance cargo information	14-15 Nov. 05	ExG (Geneva)	

¹ This column indicates in which version the results of the decision will be included into the Reference model for the first time.

ANNEX 2 – DECISIONS RELATED TO THE OPEN ISSUES (contd.)

Decision. No	Issue No	Description	Date	Source	Version¹
108	41	ExG requests the secretariat to submit the revised version of document TRANS/WP30/GE.1/2005/2 to WP.30 for consideration	14-15 Nov. 05	ExG (Geneva)	
109	41	ExG mandates the secretariat to continue its work on the basis of the revised document TRANS/WP30/GE.1/2005/2 and to draft a document on the possible steps that would lead to a fully computerized eTIR system.	14-15 Nov. 05	ExG (Geneva)	

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