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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 AMENDMENTS OF ANNEX 6 RELATING TO ARTICLE 2,  
PARAGRAPH 1(B) OF ANNEX 2 OF THE CONVENTION

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

On 17 June 2003, 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 amendments with regard to the insertion of a new subparagraph (f) to Explanatory Note 2.2.1 (b) of Annex 6 relating to Article 2, paragraph 1 (b) of Annex 2 of the above Convention adopted at its thirty-fourth session held in Geneva on 6 and 7 February 2003.

Annex 2 to the report of the Administrative Committee (documents TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/69, Annex 2 and TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/69/Corr.1) contains the text of the proposal of amendments in the English, French and Russian languages. These documents are available on the website of the UNECE Transport Division at the following addresses:

<http://www.unece.org/trans/bcf/ac2/documents/ac2-69e.pdf> (English version)  
<http://www.unece.org/trans/bcf/ac2/documents/r03-69f.pdf> (French version)  
<http://www.unece.org/trans/bcf/ac2/documents/r03-69r.pdf> (Russian version)  
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<http://www.unece.org/trans/bcf/ac2/documents/r03-69f-corr1.pdf> (French version)  
<http://www.unece.org/trans/bcf/ac2/documents/r03-69r-corr1.pdf> (Russian version)

In connection with the amendments to annex 6 of the Convention, reference is made to the procedure set forth in article 60 (1) of the Convention, which reads as follows:

- A1. Any proposed amendment to annexes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 considered in accordance with paragraphs 1 and 2 of article 59 shall come into force on a date to be determined by the Administrative Committee at the time of its adoption, unless by a prior date determined by the Administrative Committee at the same time, one-fifth or five of the States which are Contracting Parties, whichever number is less, notify the Secretary-General of the United Nations of their objection to the amendment. Determination by the Administrative Committee of the dates referred to in this paragraph shall be by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting.

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2. On entry into force, any amendment adopted in accordance with the procedure set out in paragraph 1 above shall for all Contracting Parties replace and supersede any previous provisions to which amendment refers.@

In accordance with the provisions of article 60 (1) of the Convention, the Administrative Committee decided that the Secretary-General of the United Nations should be notified of objections to the proposed amendment not later than 7 August 2003 and that, unless there were a sufficient number of objections, the amendment would enter into force on 7 November 2003.

23 June 2003

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'AJW', is located below the date.

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