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Minutes of a meeting concerning the co-funding of the EU research project "Standardized Risk Analyses for Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail and Road", project proposal by GRS, Cologne (Bonn, 28 June 2004) (OCTI circular A 81-03/506.2004 to the COTIF Member States of 4 August 2004)

1. Participants

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2. Start: 10:00

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3. Agenda

Co-funding of the EU research project "Standardized Risk Analyses for Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail and Road", project proposal, GRS, Cologne.

Mr. Rein opened the meeting and welcomed those attending.

With reference to the comments from representatives of various States and international associations on the GRS project proposal, he noted that they were of the view that

- the working group's terms of reference should be further specified and
- the mandate for the research project was not sufficiently assured (additional decision by the Joint Meeting).

The meeting agreed that a Joint Meeting decision should be obtained in order to dispel these concerns.

So far, there was no sufficient basis for co-funding the research project arising from reactions to GRS's e.mail of 28.05.2004 (project proposal with a request to form partnerships and co-funding shares) and from telephone and e.mail contacts with potential project sponsors. There was no prospect at the meeting of securing complete co-funding for the research project in the short term.

It was decided not to submit a request for sponsorship to the European Commission by the deadline of 30 June 2004. The management and chairman of the working group should draft a funding and participation concept for the meeting in Bonn on 21/22 October 2004.

4. End of meeting: 13:30
