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	<p style="text-align: center;">CHAPTER I Participation</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 1</u></p> <p>(a) Countries which are specified in paragraph 7 of the Terms of Reference of the ECE shall be participants. Countries which are covered by paragraph 11 of the Terms of Reference of the ECE and are Contracting Parties to any of the Agreements listed in Annex 1 shall be participants. Regional economic integration organizations (REIOs) which are set up by countries that are members of the ECE or members of the United Nations and are Contracting Parties to any of the Agreements listed in Annex 1 shall be participants. (b) Countries which are covered by paragraph 11 of the Terms of Reference of the ECE may, after notification to the Secretariat, participate in a consultative capacity in WP.29 in the consideration of any matter of particular concern to that member. (c) Agencies and organizations which are covered by paragraphs 12 and 13 of the Terms of Reference of the ECE may, after notification to the Secretariat, participate in a consultative capacity in WP.29 in the consideration of any matter of particular concern to those agencies or organizations.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CHAPTER I Participation</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 1</u></p> <p>(a) Members of the ECE which are specified in paragraph 7 of the Terms of Reference of the ECE shall be full participants. (b) Non-members of the ECE which are Contracting Parties to the Convention on Road Traffic, done at Vienna in 1968, and/or the Convention on Road Signs and Signals, done at Vienna in 1968 (hereinafter, the 1968 Vienna Conventions), shall be participants in a consultative capacity. (c) Other non-members of the ECE, in accordance with paragraph 11 of the Terms of Reference of the ECE may, on invitation of the secretariat or on their request, participate in a consultative capacity in WP.1 on any matter of particular concern to those countries. (d) Specialized agencies, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, in accordance with paragraphs 12 and 13 of the Terms of Reference of the ECE, may, after notification of the secretariat, participate in a consultative capacity in WP.1 in the consideration of any matter of particular concern to those agencies or organizations.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CHAPTER I Participation</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 1</u></p> <p>(a) Members of the ECE which are specified in paragraph 7 of the Terms of Reference of the ECE shall be full participants. (b) Non-members of the ECE which are Contracting Parties to the Convention on the Contract for the International Carriage of Goods by Road (CMR), done at Geneva on 17 May 1956, shall be participants in a consultative capacity. (c) Other non-members of the ECE, in accordance with paragraph 11 of the Terms of Reference of the ECE may, on invitation of the secretariat or at their request, participate in a consultative capacity in SC.1 on any matter of particular concern to those non-members. (d) In accordance with paragraphs 12 and 13 of the Terms of Reference of the ECE, specialized agencies and intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council may, after notification of the secretariat, participate in a consultative capacity in SC.1 in the consideration of any matter of particular concern to those agencies or organizations.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Article 1</u> Definitions</p> <p>For the purpose of these Rules, the term</p> <p>(a) "Convention" shall apply to the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (COTIF) of 9 May 1980, as amended by the Protocol of 3 June 1999; (b) "OTIF" shall apply to the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail; (c) "Member State" shall apply to one of the Member States of OTIF; (d) "regional organisation" shall apply to a regional economic integration organisation which has acceded to the Convention in accordance with Article 38; (e) "representative" shall apply to the physical person nominated by a Member State or by a regional organisation; (f) "Committee of Experts" shall apply to the RIO Committee of Experts instituted under Article 18 of the Convention; (g) "Secretary General" shall apply to the Secretary General of OTIF; (h) "Working languages" shall apply to the working languages of OTIF, i.e. German, English and French.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Article 2</u> Composition and attributions</p> <p>§1 The composition of the</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CHAPTER I Participation</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 1</u></p> <p>(a) Members of the ECE which are specified in paragraph 7 of the Terms of Reference of the ECE shall be full participants in WP.15. (b) Non-members of the ECE which are Contracting Parties to the European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR), done at Geneva in 1957, and/or the European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways (ADN), done at Geneva in 2000, shall be participants in a consultative capacity. (c) Other non-members of the ECE, in accordance with paragraph 11 of the Terms of Reference of the ECE may, on invitation of the secretariat or on their request, participate in a consultative capacity in WP.15 on any matter of particular concern to those countries. (d) Specialized agencies, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, in accordance with paragraphs 12 and 13 of the Terms of Reference of the ECE, may, after notification of the</p>

				Committee of Experts is determined on the basis of Article 16 § 1 of the Convention. §2 The attributions of the Committee of Experts are determined on the basis of Articles 18 § 1 and 33 § 5 of the Convention.	secretariat, participate in a consultative capacity in WP.1 in the consideration of any matter of particular concern to those agencies or organizations.
<p align="center">CHAPTER I Sessions</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 1</u> Sessions of the Commission shall be held: (a) On dates fixed by the Commission, after consultation with the Executive Secretary, at previous meetings; (b) Within thirty days of the communication of a request to that effect by the Economic and Social Council; (c) At the request of the majority of the members of the Commission, after consultation with the Executive Secretary; (d) On such other occasions as the Chairperson, in consultation with the Vice-Chairpersons and the Executive Secretary, deems necessary.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 2</u> Sessions shall ordinarily be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva (UNOG). The Commission may, with the concurrence of the Secretary-General, decide to hold a particular session elsewhere.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 3</u> The Executive Secretary shall, at least forty-two days before the commencement of a session of the Commission, distribute a notice of</p>	<p align="center">CHAPTER II Sessions</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 2</u> Sessions shall be held on dates fixed by the ECE Executive Secretary.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 3</u> Sessions shall ordinarily be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva (UNOG), Switzerland. If WP.29 decides to hold a particular session elsewhere, the relevant UN rules and regulations shall apply.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 4</u> The Secretariat shall, at least six (6) weeks before the commencement of a session,</p>	<p align="center">CHAPTER II Sessions</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 2</u> Sessions shall be held on dates fixed by the ECE Secretariat.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 3</u> Sessions shall ordinarily be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva (UNOG), Switzerland. WP.1 may, with the concurrence of the Inland Transport Committee, hold a particular session elsewhere. In that case, the relevant United Nations rules and regulations shall apply.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 4</u> The secretariat shall, at least six (6) weeks before the commencement of a session of</p>	<p align="center">CHAPTER II Sessions</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 2</u> Sessions of SC.1 shall be held on dates fixed by the ECE secretariat.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 3</u> Sessions of SC.1 shall ordinarily be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva (UNOG), Switzerland. SC.1 may, with the concurrence of the Inland Transport Committee, hold a particular session elsewhere. In that case, the relevant United Nations rules and regulations shall apply.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 4</u> The secretariat shall, at least six (6) weeks before the</p>	<p align="center"><u>Article 7</u> Meetings</p> <p>In accordance with Article 16 § 2 of the Convention, the Secretary General shall convene the Committee of Experts either on his own initiative or at the request of at least five Member States.</p> <p align="center"><u>Article 8</u> Convening - Documents</p> <p>§ 1 Two months before the meeting opens, the Secretary</p>	<p align="center">CHAPTER II Sessions</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 2</u> Sessions of WP.15 shall be held on dates fixed by the ECE secretariat.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 3</u> Sessions of WP.15 shall ordinarily be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva (UNOG), Switzerland. WP.15 may, with the concurrence of the Inland Transport Committee, hold a particular session elsewhere. In that case, the relevant United Nations rules and regulations shall apply.</p> <p align="center"><u>Article 4</u> The secretariat shall, at least six (6) weeks before the</p>

<p>the opening date of the session, together with a copy of the provisional agenda. The basic documents relating to each item appearing on the provisional agenda of a session shall be transmitted not less than forty-two days before the opening of the session, provided that in exceptional cases the Executive Secretary may, for reasons to be stated in writing, transmit such documents not less than twenty-one days before the opening of the session.</p> <p><u>Rule 4</u> The Commission shall invite any Member of the United Nations not a member of the Commission to participate in a consultative capacity in its consideration of any matter of particular concern to that Member.</p>	<p>distribute a notice of the opening date of said session, together with a copy of the provisional agenda. The basic documents relating to each item appearing on the provisional agenda of a session shall be available on the WP.29 website of the Internet and a hard copy shall be transmitted not less than (6) weeks before the opening of the session. In exceptional cases, the Secretariat may distribute basic documents at the session. Participants, as defined in Rule 1, may distribute informal documents, after the authorization by the Chairperson in consultation with the Secretariat, prior to or during a session. Such informal documents shall relate to items on the adopted agenda of the respective meeting. Where possible, the Secretariat (see Chapter VI) shall make the informal documents available on the WP.29 website of the Internet.</p>	<p>WP.1, distribute a notice of the opening date of said session, together with a copy of the provisional agenda. The basic documents relating to each item appearing on the provisional agenda of a session or meeting shall be available on the UNECE WP.1 web site of the Internet in all official languages of ECE before the session. On request, hard copies may be transmitted before the opening of the session. In exceptional cases, the secretariat may distribute basic documents at the session, but in this case such documents may only be used for preliminary consideration unless WP.1 decides otherwise. Any participant may also submit informal documents, after consultation with the secretariat, prior to or during a session. Such informal documents shall relate to items on the agenda of the respective session. To the extent possible, these documents shall be made available on the UNECE WP.1 web site of the Internet.</p>	<p>commencement of an SC.1 session, distribute a notice of the opening date of the session together with a copy of the provisional agenda. As a general rule, the basic documents relating to each item on the provisional agenda of a session shall be made available on the SC.1 website of the Internet in all official languages of UNECE as early as possible but not later than two weeks before the start of the session. Failing that, such documents may only be used for preliminary consideration unless SC.1 decides otherwise. On request, hard copies may be transmitted before the opening of the session. Any participant may also submit informal documents, after consultation with the secretariat, prior to or during a session. Such informal documents shall relate to items on the adopted agenda of the respective session. To the extent possible, these documents shall be made available on the UNECE website of the Internet (SC.1).</p>	<p>General shall serve upon Member States, regional organisations, observers and experts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – an invitation showing the place, date and time of the opening of the meeting, – the provisional agenda. <p>§2 The documents relating to the meeting shall be sent to Member States, regional organisations, observers and experts as soon as possible.</p> <p>§3 As a rule, documents shall be sent electronically and shall be placed on the OTIF website at the same time. However, recipients who cannot receive documents electronically may request a hard copy in writing.</p>	<p>commencement of an WP.15 session, distribute a notice of the opening date of the session together with a copy of the provisional agenda. As a general rule, the basic documents relating to each item on the provisional agenda of a session shall be made available on the UNECE WP.15 web site of the Internet in all official languages of ECE before the session. On request, hard copies may be transmitted before the opening of the session. In exceptional cases, the secretariat may distribute basic documents at the session, but in this case such documents may only be used for preliminary consideration unless WP.15 decides otherwise. Any participant may also submit informal documents, after consultation with the secretariat, prior to or during a session. Such informal documents shall relate to items on the agenda of the respective session. To the extent possible, these documents shall be made available on the UNECE WP.15 web site of the Internet</p>
<p>CHAPTER II Agenda</p> <p><u>Rule 5</u> The provisional agenda for each session shall be drawn up by the Executive Secretary in consultation with the Bureau of the Commission.</p> <p><u>Rule 6</u> The provisional agenda for any session shall include:</p>	<p>CHAPTER III Agenda</p> <p><u>Rule 5</u> The provisional agenda for each session of WP.29 shall be drawn up by the Secretariat in consultation with the Administrative Committee for the Coordination of Work (WP.29/AC.2) (see Chapter IX).</p> <p><u>Rule 6</u> The provisional agenda for any session of WP.29 shall include:</p>	<p>CHAPTER III Agenda</p> <p><u>Rule 5</u> The provisional agenda for each session of WP.1 shall be drawn up by the secretariat, in coordination to the extent possible with the Chairperson or Vice Chairperson (acting as Chairperson) of WP.1.</p> <p><u>Rule 6</u> The provisional agenda for any session of WP.1 may include:</p>	<p>CHAPTER III Agenda</p> <p><u>Rule 5</u> The provisional agenda for each session of SC.1 shall be drawn up by the secretariat, in conjunction to the extent possible with the Chairperson or, in his absence, with the Vice-Chairperson (acting as Chairperson) of the Working Party.</p> <p><u>Rule 6</u> The provisional agenda for any</p>	<p><u>Article 9 Agenda</u></p> <p>§ 1 The provisional agenda shall be submitted to the Committee of Experts at its first session for adoption or amendment; new items may be added to the agenda with a majority of two-thirds.</p> <p>§2 Other than business that the meeting has been convened to discuss, the following shall be placed on the provisional agenda of each meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – all questions the Committee of Experts has requested to be 	<p>CHAPTER III Agenda</p> <p><u>Rule 5</u> The provisional agenda for each session of WP.15 shall be drawn up by the secretariat, in coordination to the extent possible with the Chairperson or Vice Chairperson (acting as Chairperson) of WP.15.</p> <p><u>Rule 6</u> The provisional agenda for any session of WP.15 may include:</p>

<p>(a) Items arising from previous sessions of the Commission; (b) Items proposed by the Economic and Social Council; (c) Items proposed by any member of the Commission; (d) Items proposed by a specialized agency in accordance with the agreements of relationship concluded between the United Nations and such agencies; and (e) Any other items which the Chairperson or the Executive Secretary sees fit to include.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 7</u></p> <p>The first item upon the provisional agenda for each session shall be the adoption of the agenda.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 8</u></p> <p>The Commission may amend the agenda at any time.</p>	<p>(a) Items related to any of the Agreements listed in Annex 1. (b) Items arising from previous sessions of WP.29; (c) Items proposed by any WP.29 participant and accepted for the programme of work of WP.29; (d) Items proposed by the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson of any subsidiary body of WP.29; (e) Any other items which the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson of WP.29, or the Secretariat sees fit to include.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 7</u></p> <p>The first item upon the provisional agenda for each session shall be the adoption of the agenda.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 8</u></p> <p>WP.29 may amend the agenda at any time.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 9</u></p> <p>The provisional agenda for each session of any subsidiary body of WP.29 (see Chapter X and Annex 2) shall be drawn up by the Secretariat in consultation with the Chairperson and/or Vice-Chairperson of that body, and shall correspond with the programme of work adopted by WP.29. Previous meetings shall, in general, establish the framework for the agenda of the next meeting.</p>	<p>(a) Items arising from previous sessions of WP.1; (b) Items proposed by the ECE or the Inland Transport Committee; (c) Items proposed by any member of the ECE; (d) Items proposed by any participant relating to the programme of work of WP.1; (e) Any other items which the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson(s) of WP.1 or the secretariat see(s) fit to include.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 7</u></p> <p>The first item on the provisional agenda for each session shall be the adoption of the agenda.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 8</u></p> <p>The order in which items on the agenda are considered may be modified at any moment by WP.1 during the session.</p>	<p>session of SC.1 may include: (a) Items related to one of the legal instruments listed in the annex and to Consolidated Resolution R.E.4; (b) Items arising from previous sessions of SC.1; (c) Items proposed by the ECE or the Inland Transport Committee; (d) Items proposed by any member of the ECE; (e) Items proposed by any SC.1 participant concerning the programme of work of SC.1; (f) Any other items which the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson of SC.1 or the secretariat sees fit to include.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 7</u></p> <p>The first item on the provisional agenda for each session shall be the adoption of the agenda.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 8</u></p> <p>The SC.1 may amend the order of agenda items at any time during the session.</p>	<p>included at previous meetings; – all questions that Member States or a regional organisation have requested to be placed on the agenda, provided they are notified to the Secretary General six weeks before the meeting; §3 The adoption of the agenda shall be the first item on the provisional agenda.</p>	<p>(a) Items related to one of the legal instruments listed in the annex 1; (b) Items arising from previous sessions of WP.15; (c) Items proposed by the ECE or the Inland Transport Committee; (d) Items proposed by any member of the ECE; (e) Items proposed by any WP.15 participant concerning the programme of work of WP.15; (f) Any other items which the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson of WP.15 or the secretariat sees fit to include.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 7</u></p> <p>The first item on the provisional agenda for each session shall be the adoption of the agenda.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 8</u></p> <p>The order in which items on the agenda are considered may be modified at any moment by WP.15 during the session.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">CHAPTER III Representation and credentials</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 9</u></p> <p>Each member shall be represented on the Commission by an</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CHAPTER IV Representation and Credentials</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 10</u></p> <p>Each participant, as defined in Rule 1, shall be represented at</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CHAPTER IV Representation</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 9</u></p> <p>Members of the ECE and the other participants as defined at Rule 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CHAPTER IV Representation</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 9</u></p> <p>Members of the ECE and the other participants as defined in</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Article 3</u> Representatives</p> <p>§1 Each Member State and each regional organisation shall designate one or more representatives. If a Member State</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CHAPTER IV Representation</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 9</u></p> <p>Members of the ECE and the other participants as defined at Rule 1</p>

<p>accredited representative.</p> <p><u>Rule 10</u> A representative may be accompanied to the sessions of the Commission by alternate representatives and advisers and, when absent, he may be replaced by an alternate representative.</p> <p><u>Rule 11</u> The credentials of each representative appointed to the Commission, together with a designation of alternate representatives, shall be submitted to the Executive Secretary without delay.</p> <p><u>Rule 12</u> The Chairperson and the Vice-Chairpersons shall examine the credentials and report upon them to the Commission.</p>	<p>sessions of WP.29 and its subsidiary bodies by an accredited representative(s).</p> <p><u>Rule 11</u> The representative defined in Rule 10 above may be accompanied to the sessions of WP.29 by an alternate representative and advisers and, when absent, the representative may be replaced by an alternate representative.</p> <p><u>Rule 12</u> The accreditation of each representative appointed to WP.29, together with a designation of an alternate representative, shall be submitted to the Secretariat prior to the date of each session of WP.29 and its subsidiary bodies.</p>	<p>shall be represented at sessions of WP.1 by a representative.</p> <p><u>Rule 10</u> The representative may be accompanied by alternate representatives and/or advisers and, when absent, the representative may be replaced by an alternate representative.</p> <p><u>Rule 11</u> The names of representatives, alternate representatives, advisers, shall be submitted to the ECE secretariat before the holding of the session. A list of the names of all persons having participated in the session is prepared by the secretariat and made available during the course of the session.</p>	<p>Rule 1 shall be represented at session of SC.1 by a representative.</p> <p><u>Rule 10</u> The representative may be accompanied to the sessions of SC.1 by alternate representatives, advisers and/or experts; if absent, a representative may be replaced by an alternate representative.</p> <p><u>Rule 11</u> The names of representatives, alternate representatives, advisers and experts shall be submitted to the ECE secretariat before the holding of the session. The secretariat shall prepare a list of the names of all representatives who have participated in the session and make it available to them during the session.</p>	<p>or a regional organisation designates more than one representative, a head of delegation who shall exercise the right to vote shall be designated at the same time.</p> <p>§2 Each Member State shall notify the Secretary General in writing of the information concerning its representatives.</p> <p>§3 The European Community shall be represented by the European Commission which, on its part, shall as a rule mandate the Member States of the European Community to represent it, as the latter possess expert technical knowledge. However, the European Community may at any time exercise the right laid down in Article 33 § 5 of the Convention, which allows one third of the Member States represented in the Committee of Experts to request that a proposal submitted to the Committee of Experts be submitted to the General Assembly for decision.</p> <p><u>Article 4</u> Representation §1 A Member State may be represented by another Member State provided the Secretary General is notified in writing. §2 However, in accordance with Article 16 § 3 of the Convention, a Member State may not represent more than two other Member States.</p> <p><u>Article 5</u> Observers and experts §1 Representatives of non-Member States, international organisations and associations, and experts invited in accordance</p>	<p>shall be represented at sessions of WP.15 by a representative.</p> <p><u>Rule 10</u> The representative may be accompanied to the sessions of WP.15 by alternate representatives and/or advisers and, when absent, the representative may be replaced by an alternate representative.</p> <p><u>Rule 11</u> The names of representatives, alternate representatives, advisers and experts shall be submitted to the ECE secretariat before the holding of the session of WP.15. The secretariat shall prepare a list of the names of all representatives who have participated in the session and make it available to them during the course of the session.</p>
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<p align="center">CHAPTER IV Officers</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 13</u></p> <p>The Commission shall, at its first meeting of each year, elect from among its representatives a Chairperson and three Vice-Chairpersons, who shall hold office until their successors are elected. They shall be eligible for re-election. The Commission may, however, decide to elect the officers for its next session at its last meeting.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 14</u></p> <p>If the Chairperson is absent from a meeting, or any part thereof, one of the Vice-Chairpersons, designated by the Chairperson, shall preside.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 15</u></p> <p>If the Chairperson ceases to represent a member of the Commission, or is so incapacitated that he/she can no longer hold office, one of the Vice-Chairpersons, designated by the Commission, shall become Chairperson for the unexpired portion of the term. In that case, or if one of the Vice-Chairpersons</p>	<p align="center">CHAPTER V Officers</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 13</u></p> <p>WP.29 shall, at the end of its last session of the year, elect from the representatives of participants as defined in Rule 1(a) a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson(s), who shall take office at the start of the first session of the following year. The number of Vice-Chairpersons may vary from year to year depending upon need. The officers shall be eligible for re-election.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 14</u></p> <p>If the Chairperson ceases to represent a participant, or can no longer hold office, one of the Vice-Chairpersons, designated by the participants as defined in Rule 1(a), shall become Chairperson for the unexpired portion of the term. In that case, or if one of the Vice-Chairpersons ceases to represent a participant, or can no longer hold</p>	<p align="center">CHAPTER V Officers</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 12</u></p> <p>Every two years, WP.1 shall, at the end of the last session of the second year, elect from among the representatives of members of the ECE a Chairperson and two Vice-Chairpersons, who shall take office at the start of the first session of the year following their election. The officers shall be eligible for re-election.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 13</u></p> <p>If the Chairperson is absent from a session, or part thereof, one of the Vice-Chairpersons, designated by the Chairperson, shall preside.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 14</u></p> <p>If the Chairperson ceases to represent a member of the ECE, or can no longer hold office, one of the Vice-Chairpersons, designated by WP.1, shall become Chairperson for the unexpired portion of the term. In that case, or if one of the Vice-Chairpersons ceases to represent a member of the ECE, or can no longer hold office, WP.1 shall elect another Vice-Chairperson for the</p>	<p align="center">CHAPTER V Officers</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 12</u></p> <p>Every two years, SC.1 shall, at the end of the session of the second year, elect from the representatives of members of the ECE a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson, who shall take office at the start of the session of the year following their election. The officers shall be eligible for re-election.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 13</u></p> <p>If the Chairperson of SC.1 is absent from a session, or part thereof, the Vice-Chairperson shall preside.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 14</u></p> <p>If the Chairperson of SC.1 ceases to represent a member of the ECE, or can no longer hold office, the Vice-Chairperson, designated in accordance with Rule 12, shall become Chairperson for the unexpired portion of the term. In that case, SC.1 shall elect another Vice-Chairperson for the unexpired portion of the term. The situation shall be the same if the designated Vice-Chairperson</p>		<p align="center">CHAPTER V Officers</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 12</u></p> <p>Every year, WP.15 shall, at the end of the last session of the year, elect from among the representatives of members of the ECE a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson, who shall take office at the start of the first session of the year following their election. The officers shall be eligible for re-election.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 13</u></p> <p>If the Chairperson of WP.15 is absent from a session, or part thereof, the Vice-Chairperson shall preside.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 14</u></p> <p>If the Chairperson of WP.15 ceases to represent a member of the ECE, or can no longer hold office, the Vice-Chairperson, designated in accordance with Rule 12, shall become Chairperson for the unexpired portion of the term. In that case, WP.15 shall elect another Vice-Chairperson for the unexpired portion of the term. The situation shall be the same if the designated</p>

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<p><u>Rule 20</u> The Executive Secretary shall direct the staff provided by the Secretary-General and required by the Commission, and its Subsidiary Bodies.</p> <p><u>Rule 21</u> The Executive Secretary shall be responsible for the necessary arrangements being made for meetings.</p> <p><u>Rule 22</u> The Executive Secretary in carrying out his functions shall act on behalf of the Secretary-General.</p>	<p>During the sessions, the Secretariat shall assist WP.29 and its subsidiary bodies in complying with these Rules of Procedure.</p> <p><u>Rule 20</u> The secretariat may present, with the agreement of the Chairperson, written or oral statements on any question examined.</p>	<p>During the sessions or meetings, the secretariat shall assist SC.1 in complying with these Rules of Procedure.</p> <p><u>Rule 20</u> The secretariat may present, with the agreement of the Chairperson, written or oral statements on any question examined.</p>	<p>During the sessions or meetings, the secretariat shall assist SC.1 in complying with these Rules of Procedure.</p> <p><u>Rule 20</u> The secretariat may present, with the agreement of the Chairperson, written or oral statements on any question examined.</p>	<p>regional organisations of the decisions of the Committee of Experts, any objections within the meaning of Article 35 § 4 of the Convention and the proposed date of entry into force of the decisions; (e) draft correspondence and maintain the archives.</p>	<p>During the sessions, the secretariat shall assist WP.15 in complying with these Rules of Procedure.</p> <p><u>Rule 20</u> The secretariat of WP.15 may present, with the agreement of the Chairperson, written or oral statements on any question examined..</p>
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<p>matter a representative may raise a point of order. In this case the Chairperson shall immediately state his/her ruling. If it is challenged, the Chairperson shall forthwith submit his/her ruling to the Commission for decision and it shall stand unless overruled.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 26</u></p> <p>During the discussion of any matter a representative may move the adjournment of the debate. Any such motion shall have priority. In addition to the proposer of the motion, one representative shall be allowed to speak in favour of, and one representative against, the motion.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 27</u></p> <p>A representative may at any time move the closure of the debate whether or not any other representative has signified his wish to speak. Not more than two representatives may be granted permission to speak against the closure.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 28</u></p> <p>The Chairperson shall take the sense of the Commission on a motion for closure. If the Commission is in favour of the closure, the Chairperson shall declare the debate closed.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 29</u></p> <p>The Commission may limit the time allowed to each speaker.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 30</u></p> <p>Principal motions and resolutions shall be put to the vote in the order of their submission unless</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 23</u></p> <p>Every representative has the right to declare his or her position and have it reflected in the session report.</p>	<p>session shall adopt the report prepared by the secretariat, in consultation with the Chairperson, on the basis of the record of decisions.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 24</u></p> <p>The Chairperson may decide, in consultation with the secretariat, to reduce the length of a session or postpone it in the case of force majeure.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 25</u></p> <p>Rules 25 to 28 and 30 to 33 of the Rules of Procedure of ECE are applicable mutatis mutandis.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 26</u></p> <p>Every representative has the right to declare his or her position and may request that it be reflected, in summarized form, in the report of the session of WP.1.</p>	<p>and at the start of the following session shall adopt the report prepared by the secretariat in consultation with the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson (acting as Chairperson) of SC.1 on the basis of the record of decisions.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 24</u></p> <p>The Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson (acting as Chairperson) of SC.1 may decide, in consultation with the secretariat, to reduce the length of a session or postpone it in the case of force majeure</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 25</u></p> <p>Rules 25 to 28 and 30 to 33 of the Rules of Procedure of the ECE are applicable mutatis mutandis.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 26</u></p> <p>Every representative has the right to declare his or her position and may request that it be reflected, in summarized form, in the report of the session.</p>	<p>of times each delegation may take the floor on a question and to close the discussion. He may propose the suspension or adjournment of the discussion on the question being examined or the suspension or adjournment of the session itself.</p> <p>§5 The Chairman shall decide motions of order and all questions concerning the interpretation or application of these Rules of Procedure. If a delegation disputes the Chairman's decision, a vote shall be taken. The Chairman's decision shall stand if a majority of Members present do not oppose it.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Article 11</u> Proposals</p> <p>§1 All questions submitted to the Committee of Experts for examination shall be the subject of proposals.</p> <p>§2 Suggestions submitted by observers and experts in accordance with Article 5 shall only be discussed if they are sponsored as proposals by Member States or regional organisations.</p> <p>§3 Proposals shall be submitted in writing in one of the working languages and transmitted to the Secretary General at least six weeks before the meeting opens.</p> <p>§ 4 Representatives may, when a session is opened, submit proposals in meeting documents, provided they deal with questions included on the agenda and that they are translated and distributed in all the working languages. However, such a proposal shall not be discussed unless it is supported by at least two Member States.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Article 12</u> Examination of proposals</p> <p>§1 If the same question is the subject of several proposals, the</p>	<p>and shall adopt the report prepared by the secretariat, in consultation with the Chairperson, on the basis of the record of decisions.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 24</u></p> <p>The Chairperson of WP.15 may decide, in consultation with the secretariat, to reduce the length of a session or postpone it in the case of force majeure.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 25</u></p> <p>Rules 25 to 28 of the Rules of Procedure of ECE are applicable to the conduct of the discussion in WP.15.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 26</u></p> <p>Rules 30 to 33 of the Rules of Procedure of ECE are applicable to the order of voting in WP.15.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 27</u></p> <p>Every representative has the right to declare his or her position and may request that it be reflected, in summarized form, in the report of the session of WP.15.</p>
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<p>the Commission decides otherwise.</p> <p>Rule 31 When an amendment revises, adds to or deletes from a proposal the amendment shall be put to the vote first, and if it is adopted, the amended proposal shall then be put to the vote.</p> <p>Rule 32 If two or more amendments are moved to a proposal, the Commission shall vote first on the amendment furthest removed in substance from the original proposal, then, if necessary, on the amendment next furthest removed and so on, until all the amendments have been put to the vote.</p> <p>Rule 33 The Commission may, at the request of a representative, decide to put a motion or resolution to the vote in parts. If this is done, the text resulting from the series of votes shall be put to the vote as a whole.</p>				<p>Chairman shall decide the order in which they are dealt with, beginning in principle with a vote on the proposal that differs most from the text of RID in force.</p> <p>§2 If a proposal concerns amendments to a main proposal, the amendments shall be put to the vote first, in principle voting firstly on those that differ most from the main proposal.</p> <p>§3 If a proposal can be divided, each part may, with the agreement of the author and the majority of representatives, be examined and put to the vote separately. After the different parts have been approved, the text of the proposal shall be adopted in its entirety.</p> <p>Article 13 Withdrawal of a proposal §1 Any proposal may be withdrawn by its author, at any time before voting on it has begun and provided it has not been amended. §2 A proposal thus withdrawn may be immediately reintroduced by any other representative under the conditions of Article 12.</p> <p>Article 14 Rediscussion of proposals already examined A proposal that has been adopted or rejected at the same meeting may only be examined again if the Committee of Experts so decides. In this event, the principle of re-examining the proposal shall be approved by means of a vote carried out in the same way as the initial vote on the proposal in question was taken (show of hands, nominal vote).</p> <p>Article 15 Motions of order §1 Representatives may, at any time, submit motions of order. §2 The Chairman shall take a decision immediately in</p>	
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				<p>accordance with Article 10 § 5. §3 If his decision is disputed, a vote shall be taken. The Chairman's decision shall stand unless a majority objects in accordance with Article 21.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Article 16</u> Adjournment or closure of discussions on an item</p> <p>§1 During a session, any representative may propose that discussions on an item be adjourned or closed. §2 This motion shall immediately be opened for discussion. Apart from the proposal, the floor shall only be given to one supporter and two opponents of the motion, after which a vote on the motion shall be taken immediately. §3 If the Committee of Experts approves the motion, the Chairman shall immediately declare that the discussions on this item are adjourned or closed</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Article 17</u> Suspension or adjournment of a session</p> <p>§1 During a session, any representative may propose that it be suspended or adjourned. §2 Such a motion shall be put to the vote immediately, without discussion. §3 If the Committee of Experts adopts such a motion, the Chairman shall immediately announce the suspension or adjournment of the session.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Article 18</u> Order of proposals concerning procedure</p> <p>Subject to the provisions of Article 15, the following proposals take priority over all other proposals <i>or</i> motions, in the order shown below: (a) suspension <i>of</i> the session (b) adjournment <i>of</i> the session (c) adjournment <i>of</i> the discussions</p>	
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				<p>on an item (d) closure <i>of</i> the discussions on an item.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Article 20</u> Quorum</p> <p>§ 1 In accordance with Article 18 § 2 of the Convention, there shall be a quorum in the Committee of Experts when at least one-third of the Member States are either present or represented in accordance with Article 4.</p> <p>§ 2 In accordance with Article 13 § 3 of the Convention, in deciding whether there is a quorum, account shall not be taken of Member States which do not have the right to vote (see Article 14 § 5 of the Convention) or whose right to vote has been suspended (see Article 26 § 7 and 40 § 4 (b) of the Convention).</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">CHAPTER VII Voting</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 34</u> Each member of the Commission shall have one vote.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 35</u> Decisions of the Commission shall be made by a majority of the members present and voting.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 36</u> The Commission shall take no action in respect of any country without the agreement of the Government of that country.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 37</u> The Commission shall normally vote by show of hands. If any representative requests a roll call, a roll call shall be taken in the English alphabetical order of the names of the members.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CHAPTER VIII Voting</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 24</u> Each participant, as defined in Rule 1(a), other than REIOs, shall have one vote. REIOs, as defined in Rule 1(a), may only vote in lieu of their Member States and with the number of votes of their Member States that are participants in WP.29.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 25</u> Decisions of WP.29 shall be made by a majority of the participants as defined in Rule 1(a), present and voting, and in accordance with Rule 24 above.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 26</u> The voting shall be in accordance with Rules 37 to 39 of the Rules of Procedure of the ECE, unless otherwise provided herein.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CHAPTER VIII Voting</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 27</u> Each member of ECE shall have one vote.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 28</u> Decisions of WP.1 shall preferably be made on the basis of consensus. In the absence of consensus, decisions shall be made by a majority of the members of ECE, present and voting.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 29</u> Voting and elections of officers shall be held in accordance with Rules 37 to 39 of the Rules of Procedure of ECE.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CHAPTER VIII Voting</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 27</u> Each member of the ECE shall have one vote.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 28</u> Decisions made by SC.1 shall as a priority be based on consensus. In the absence of consensus, decisions shall be made by a majority of the members of the ECE, present and voting.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 29</u> Voting and elections of officers shall be held in accordance with Rules 37 to 39 of the Rules of Procedure of the ECE.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Article 21</u> General voting rules</p> <p>§1 Voting in the Committee of Experts shall take place in accordance with the following rules:</p> <p>(a) subject to the rules in Articles 14 § 5, 26 § 7 and 40 § 4 (b) of the Convention and in Article 38 § 3 of the Convention in conjunction with Article 3 § 3, each Member State shall have one vote;</p> <p>(b) a proposal shall be adopted if the number of votes in favour is – equal to at least one third of the Member States represented at the time of the vote and – greater than the number of votes against.</p> <p>(c) Member States who abstain in the vote shall nevertheless be considered to be represented at the time of the vote.</p> <p>§2 In principle, voting shall take</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CHAPTER VIII Voting</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 28</u> Each member of ECE shall have one vote in WP.15.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 29</u> Decisions of WP.15 shall preferably be made on the basis of consensus. In the absence of consensus, decisions shall be made by a majority of the members of ECE, present and voting, and if the number of votes in favour is equal to at least one third of the members of ECE represented at the time of the vote.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 30</u> Voting and elections of officers of WP.15 shall be held in accordance with Rules 37 to 39 of the Rules of Procedure of ECE.</p>

<p><u>Rule 38</u> All elections shall be decided by secret ballot, unless, in the absence of any objection, the Commission decides to proceed without taking a ballot on an agreed candidate or slate.</p> <p><u>Rule 39</u> If a vote is equally divided upon matters other than elections, a second vote shall be taken at the next meeting. If this vote also results in equality, the proposal shall be regarded as rejected.</p>	<p><u>Rule 27</u> Voting under the Agreements listed in Annex 1 shall be in accordance with the voting rules specified in the respective Agreement.</p>			<p>place by show of hands. However, any Member State may request a nominal vote. In this case, the vote shall take place in French alphabetical order of the Member States present or represented. The vote of each Member State participating in the vote shall be recorded in the report of the relevant meeting.</p>	
<p>CHAPTER VIII Languages</p> <p><u>Rule 40</u> English, French and Russian shall be the working languages of the Commission.</p> <p><u>Rule 41</u> Speeches made in any of the working languages shall be interpreted into the other working languages.</p> <p>CHAPTER IX Records</p> <p><u>Rule 42</u> Suspended</p> <p><u>Rule 43</u> Suspended</p> <p><u>Rule 44</u> Suspended</p> <p><u>Rule 45</u> As soon as possible, the text of all reports, resolutions, recommendations and other formal decisions made by the Commission and its Subsidiary Bodies shall be communicated to</p>	<p>CHAPTER IX Administrative Committee</p> <p><u>Rule 28</u> WP.29 shall form an Administrative Committee for the Coordination of Work, to be known as WP.29/AC.2. In particular, WP.29/AC.2 shall: (a) Develop and recommend a programme of work to WP.29, giving consideration to requests from participants, as defined in Rule 1, and the relevance and priority of such requests, in particular with regard to the Agreements listed in Annex 1; (b) Consider the reports and recommendations from the</p>	<p>CHAPTER IX Languages</p> <p><u>Rule 30</u> English, French and Russian are the working languages of WP.1. Statements made in one of these languages are interpreted into the other two languages.</p>	<p>CHAPTER IX Languages</p> <p><u>Rule 30</u> English, French and Russian are the working languages of SC.1. Statements made in one of these languages are interpreted into the other two languages.</p>	<p>Article 26 Languages</p> <p>§1 In accordance with Article 16 § 7 of the Convention, the proceedings shall be conducted in the working languages. If a speaker uses another language, he shall be responsible for arranging for interpretation of his statements into one of these languages. §2 Participants' interventions shall be interpreted immediately, orally and in substance, into the other working languages. Proposals, decisions and the Chairman's statements shall be interpreted in full.</p>	<p>CHAPTER IX Languages</p> <p><u>Rule 31</u> English, French and Russian are the working languages of WP.15. Statements made in one of these languages are interpreted into the other two languages.</p>

<p>the members of the Commission, to the consultative members concerned, to all other Members of the United Nations and to the specialized agencies.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CHAPTER X Publicity of meetings</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 46</u></p> <p>The meetings of the Commission shall ordinarily be held in public. The Commission may decide that a particular meeting or meetings shall be held in private.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CHAPTER XI Consultation with specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 47</u></p> <p>(a) Where an item proposed for the provisional agenda for a session contains a proposal for new activities to be undertaken by the United Nations relating to matters which are of direct concern to one or more specialized agencies or the International Atomic Energy Agency, the Executive Secretary shall enter into consultation with the agency or agencies concerned and report to the Commission on the means of achieving coordinated use of the resources of the respective agencies.</p> <p>(b) Where a proposal put forward in the course of a meeting for new activities to be undertaken by the United Nations relates to matters which are of direct concern to one or more specialized agencies or the International Atomic Energy Agency, the Executive Secretary shall, after such consultation as may be possible with the representatives at the meeting of the other agency or agencies concerned, draw the attention of the meeting to these implications</p>	<p>subsidiary bodies, and identify those items that require action by WP.29 and the time frame for their consideration;</p> <p>(c) Provide recommendations to WP.29 on any other work that is within the scope of WP.29's activities; and</p> <p>(d) Develop and recommend to WP.29 the provisional agenda for sessions of WP.29.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 29</u></p> <p>Participants in WP.29/AC.2 shall be:</p> <p>(a) The Chairperson and the Vice-Chairperson(s) of WP.29;</p> <p>(b) The Chairperson and the Vice-Chairperson(s) of the Administrative or Executive Committee attendant to each Agreement listed in Annex 1, and representatives of the European Community, Japan, and the United States of America; and</p> <p>(c) The Chairperson and the Vice-Chairperson of each subsidiary body of WP.29 in accordance with Chapter X of these Rules of Procedure.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 30</u></p> <p>WP.29/AC.2. may invite other persons to participate in a consultative capacity.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 31</u></p> <p>WP.29/AC.2 shall meet prior to each session of WP.29, with notice given by the Secretariat in accordance with Rule 4.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 32</u></p> <p>The meetings of WP.29/AC.2 shall be convened by the Secretariat in consultation with</p>				
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<p>of the proposal. (c) Before deciding on proposals referred to above, the Commission shall satisfy itself that adequate consultations have taken place with the agencies concerned.</p> <p>CHAPTER XII Relations with non-governmental organizations</p> <p><u>Rule 48</u> Non-governmental organizations in categories I and II may designate authorized representatives to sit as observers at public meetings of the Commission. Organizations on the Roster may have representatives present at such meetings which are concerned with matters within their field of competence. Non-governmental organizations in category I may circulate to the members of the Commission written statements and suggestions on matters within their competence. Non-governmental organizations in category II and on the Roster may submit such statements and suggestions to the Executive Secretary. The Executive Secretary will prepare and distribute at each session of the Commission a list of such communications received, briefly indicating the substance of each of them. On the request of any member of the Commission the Executive Secretary will reproduce in full and distribute any such communication.</p> <p><u>Rule 49</u> The Commission at its discretion may consult with non-governmental organizations in categories I and II and on the Roster on matters in which the Commission regards these organizations as having special competence or knowledge. Such</p>	<p>the Chairperson, and the Secretariat shall participate in accordance with the Rules of Chapter VI.</p> <p><u>Rule 33</u> The Chairperson of WP.29 shall serve as the Chairperson of WP.29/AC.2 unless decided otherwise by WP.29/AC.2.</p>				
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<p>consultations may be arranged on the invitation of the Commission or on the request of the organization. In the case of non-governmental organizations in category I, consultations should normally be held with the Commission itself. In the case of non-governmental organizations in category II and on the Roster consultations might be effected either directly or through ad hoc committees.</p>					
<p align="center">CHAPTER XIII Subsidiary bodies</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 50</u></p> <p>After discussion with any specialized agency functioning in the same general field, and with the approval of the Economic and Social Council, the Commission may establish such continually acting sub-commissions or other subsidiary bodies as it deems necessary for the performance of its functions and shall define the powers and composition of each of them. Such autonomy as may be necessary for the effective discharge of the technical responsibilities laid upon them may be delegated to them.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 51</u></p> <p>The Commission may establish such committees and sub-committees as it deems necessary to assist it in carrying out its tasks.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 52</u></p> <p>Subsidiary Bodies shall adopt their own rules of procedure unless otherwise decided by the Commission.</p>	<p align="center">CHAPTER X Subsidiary bodies of WP.29</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 34</u></p> <p>WP.29 may propose to the ITC to establish a new subsidiary body or to dissolve an existing one, and shall provide justification for such action.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 35</u></p> <p>Subsidiary bodies of WP.29 shall apply the Rules of Procedure of WP.29, as appropriate.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 36</u></p> <p>Each subsidiary body shall be comprised of experts accredited by participants, as defined in Rule 1.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 37</u></p> <p>Each subsidiary body of WP.29 shall, at the end of its last session of each year, elect from the experts accredited by participants, as defined in Rule 1(a), a Chairperson, and, if desired, a Vice-Chairperson.</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 38</u></p> <p>In carrying out its work and developing its recommendations,</p>	<p align="center">CHAPTER X Ad hoc groups</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 31</u></p> <p>Between sessions, WP.1 may be assisted in carrying out its tasks by ad hoc groups. The creation and the holding of meetings of these groups require prior approval by the Inland Transport Committee. The above rules of procedure shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to the conduct of any such group except for rules 6, 12 to 15, 23 to 25 and 27 to 29. The following particular rules shall be applied:</p> <p>- The provisional agenda shall be drawn up by the secretariat on the basis of orientations or the mandate given by WP.1 to the Ad hoc group;</p> <p>- A Chairperson shall be designated at the beginning of each meeting;</p> <p>- Decisions of the ad hoc group shall be made on the basis of consensus. In the absence of consensus, the question shall be submitted to WP.1 to decide on the follow-up to be given.</p> <p>- The report of the meeting prepared by the secretariat shall be submitted for the adoption of</p>	<p align="center">CHAPTER X Ad hoc groups</p> <p align="center"><u>Rule 31</u></p> <p>Between sessions, SC.1 may be assisted in carrying out its tasks by ad hoc groups. 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The report of the meeting prepared by the secretariat</p>	<p align="center"><u>Article 22</u> Working groups</p> <p>§1 In order to prepare the decisions or to discuss particular questions, the Committee of Experts may, if it considers it necessary, set up one or more standing or temporary working groups.</p> <p>§2 The Rules of Procedure of the Committee of Experts shall as a rule be applied analogously at meetings of the working groups.</p> <p align="center"><u>Article 23</u> RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting Report</p> <p>Amendments to RID for which co-ordination with the provisions for the carriage of dangerous goods by other modes, particularly ADR and ADN, is necessary or practical shall be prepared by the RID Committee of Experts in special meetings during the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting with the UNECE Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (WP.15).</p> <p align="center"><u>Article 24</u> Report</p> <p>§1 The minutes referred to in</p>	<p align="center">CHAPTER X Special meetings of WP.15 and working groups</p> <p align="center"><u>Article 32</u></p> <p>Amendments to the annexed Regulation to ADN shall be prepared by special meetings of WP.15 (WP.15/AC.2).</p> <p align="center"><u>Article 33</u></p> <p>Amendments to ADR and to ADN for which co-ordination with the provisions for the carriage of dangerous goods by rail is necessary or practical shall be prepared by special meetings of WP.15 during the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting with the RID Committee of Experts of the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF).</p> <p align="center"><u>Article 34</u></p> <p>Between sessions, WP.15 may be assisted in carrying out its tasks by working groups. The creation and the holding of meetings of these groups require the invitation of a participant as defined at Rule 1. The above Rules of Procedure shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to</p>

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 53</u></p> <p>Subsidiary Bodies should, as in rules 48 and 49, consult non-governmental organizations in category I which, because of their importance as regards their activity and the number of their members in Europe, play a part in the economic life of Europe, on questions within the competence of the Commission and deemed of interest to such organizations. These organizations could in appropriate cases be invited to be represented at meetings of Subsidiary Bodies.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CHAPTER XIV Reports</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rule 54</u></p> <p>The Commission shall submit to the Economic and Social Council a full report on its activities and plans, including those of any subsidiary bodies, once a year, and shall make interim reports at each regular session of the Council.</p>	<p>each subsidiary body shall give consideration to technical issues as elaborated in the Agreements listed in Annex 1 and other relevant technical matters. Any documentation relating to its recommendation shall be provided to the Secretariat, and shall be made available to the public.</p>	<p>WP.1.</p> <p>- The secretariat may, in consultation with the Chairperson of WP.1, decide:</p> <p>1) to postpone the meeting if the items on the provisional agenda are not sufficiently advanced;</p> <p>2) to transform an Ad hoc meeting into an informal meeting if it appears that the number of participants inscribed is insufficient. In this case, the meeting shall not be subject to the present Rules of Procedure.</p>	<p>shall be submitted for the adoption of SC.1;</p> <p>e. The secretariat may, in consultation with the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson (acting as Chairperson) of SC.1, decide:</p> <p>(1) to postpone the meeting if the items on the provisional agenda are not sufficiently advanced;</p> <p>(2) to transform an ad hoc meeting into an informal meeting if it appears that the number of participants inscribed is insufficient. In this case, the meeting shall not be subject to the present Rules of Procedure.</p>	<p>Article 16 § 8 of the Convention shall here be taken to mean a report summarizing the discussions; decisions shall be reproduced in full.</p> <p>§2 If there is a difference between the different language versions, the text in the language used by the author shall prevail; however, with regard to the decisions of the Committee of Experts, the French text shall prevail.</p> <p>§3 Each participant may request that his statements be reproduced in the report in full, provided the written text is given to the Secretary General in one of the working languages.</p> <p>§4At the end of the meeting, the Committee of Experts shall as a rule read and approve the amendments to the text of RID that have been adopted.</p> <p>§5 The draft report shall be sent to representatives, observers and experts not later than two months after the meeting. Within six weeks of the day the draft report is sent, representatives, observers and experts shall notify the Secretary General in writing of any corrections they wish to make to the text of their own interventions.</p> <p>§6 Once he has brought together the corrections requested within the period prescribed, the Secretary General shall send the definitive version of the report to the Member States, the regional organisations, observers and experts. If corrections are requested which would cause the same content to be reproduced differently, the Secretary General shall agree a compromise or shall</p>	<p>the conduct of any such group except for rules 6, 12 to 15, 23 to 26 and 28 to 30. The following particular rules shall be applied:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The provisional agenda shall be drawn up by the secretariat on the basis of orientations or the mandate given by WP.15 to the working group; - A Chairperson shall be designated at the beginning of each meeting; - Decisions of the working group shall be made on the basis of consensus. In the absence of consensus, the question shall be submitted to WP.15 to decide on the follow-up to be given; - The report of the meeting prepared by the secretariat shall be submitted for the adoption of WP.15; - The secretariat may, in consultation with the Chairperson of WP.15, decide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) to postpone the meeting if the items on the provisional agenda are not sufficiently advanced; (2) to transform an working group into an informal meeting if it appears that the number of participants inscribed is insufficient. In this case, the meeting shall not be subject to the present Rules of Procedure.
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				place the matter on the agenda of the next meeting. <u>Article 25</u> Entry into force of decisions The decisions shall enter into force in accordance with the provisions of Article 35 of the Convention.	
CHAPTER XV Amendments and suspensions <u>Rule 55</u> Any of these Rules of Procedure may be amended or suspended by the Commission provided that the proposed amendments or suspensions do not attempt to set aside the terms of reference laid down by the Economic and Social Council.	CHAPTER XI Amendments <u>Rule 39</u> Any of these Rules of Procedure may be amended, in accordance with Rule 25. ANNEX 1 List of Agreements related to WP.29 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agreement concerning the Adoption of Uniform Technical Prescriptions for Wheeled Vehicles, Equipment and Parts which can be Fitted and/or be Used on Wheeled Vehicles and the Conditions for Reciprocal Recognition of Approvals Granted on the Basis of these Prescriptions, done at Geneva on 20 March 1958 (including the amendments entered into force on 16 October 1995) • Agreement concerning the Adoption of Uniform Technical Inspections of Wheeled Vehicles and the 	CHAPTER XI Amendments <u>Rule 32</u> Any of these Rules of Procedure may be amended, in accordance with Rule 28. However, any amendment proposal affecting Rules 1 and 27 which goes beyond the provisions in the ECE mandate, in particular those in paragraph 11, shall require the prior approval of the Commission. ANNEX List of Legal Instruments under the competence of WP.1, currently in force <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convention on Road Traffic, of 19 September 1949 • Protocol on Road Signs and Signals, of 19 September 1949 • European Agreement on the Application of Article 23 of the 1949 Convention on Road Traffic concerning the Dimensions and Weights of Vehicles Permitted to Travel on Certain Roads of the Contracting Parties, of 16 September 1950 • Convention on Road Traffic (Vienna Convention), of 8 November 1968 • Convention on Road Signs and Signals (Vienna Convention), of 8 November 1968 	CHAPTER XI Amendments <u>Rule 32</u> Any of these Rules of Procedure may be amended, in accordance with Rule 28. However, any amendment proposal affecting Rules 1 and 27 which goes beyond the provisions in the ECE mandate, in particular those in paragraph 11, shall require the prior approval of the Commission. ANNEX List of Legal Instruments related to SC.1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • European Agreement on Main International Traffic Arteries (AGR), of 15 November 1975 • European Agreement concerning the Work of Crews of Vehicles Engaged in International Road Transport (AETR), of 1 July 1970 • Convention on the Contract for the International Carriage of Goods by Road (CMR), of 19 May 1956 • Protocol to the Convention on the Contract for the International Carriage of Goods by Road (CMR), of 5 July 1978 • Convention on the Contract 	<u>Article 27</u> Amending the Rules of Procedure Provided a proposal for amendment is on the provisional agenda, these Rules of Procedure may be amended in whole or in part by a decision of the Committee of Experts in accordance with Article 21. The Committee of Experts shall decide the date of entry into force of amendments. <u>Article 28</u> Entry into force These Rules of Procedure shall enter into force on date of entry into force of COTIF 1999. The Rules of Procedure of 8 November 1995 shall then lapse. APPENDIX: Standard format for documents TITLE OF AGENDA ITEM Title of proposal, setting out the <u>question</u> Submitted by ...	CHAPTER XI Amendments <u>Rule 32</u> Any of these Rules of Procedure may be amended, in accordance with Rule 29. However, any amendment proposal affecting Rules 1 and 28 which goes beyond the provisions in the ECE mandate, in particular those in paragraph 11, shall require the prior approval of the Commission. ANNEX 1 List of Legal Instruments related to WP.15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR), of 30 September 1957 • European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways (ADN), of 25 May 2000 ANNEX 2 Standard format for documents TITLE OF AGENDA ITEM Title of proposal, setting out the <u>question</u> Submitted by ... SUMMARY

	<p>Reciprocal Recognition of such Inspections, done at Vienna on 13 November 1997</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agreement concerning the Establishing of Global Technical Regulations for Wheeled Vehicles, Equipment and Parts which can be Fitted and/or be Used on Wheeled Vehicles, done at Geneva on 25 June 1998 <p style="text-align: center;">ANNEX 2 Subsidiary bodies of WP.29</p> <p>Working Party on Pollution and Energy (GRPE) Working Party on General Safety Provisions (GRSG) Working Party on Brakes and Running Gear (GRRF) Working Party on Lighting and Light-Signalling (GRE) Working Party on Passive Safety (GRSP) Working Party on Noise (GRB)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • European Agreement supplementing the Convention on Road Traffic (1968), of 1 May 1971 • European Agreement supplementing the Convention on Road Signs and Signals (1968), of 1 May 1971 • Protocol on Road Markings, Additional to the European Agreement supplementing the Convention on Road Signs and Signals, of 1 March 1973 • Agreement on Minimum Requirements for the Issue and Validity of Driving Permits (APC), of 1 April 1975 	<p>for the International Carriage of Passengers and Luggage by Road (CVR), of 1 March 1973</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protocol to the Convention on the Contract for the International Carriage of Passengers and Luggage by Road (CVR), of 5 July 1978 • Convention on the Taxation of Road Vehicles Engaged in International Goods Transport, of 14 December 1956 • Convention on the Taxation of Road Vehicles Engaged in International Passenger Transport, of 14 December 1956 • Convention on the Taxation of Road Vehicles for Private Use in International Traffic, of 18 May 1956 • General Agreement on Economic Regulations for International Road Transport, of 17 March 1954 	<p>SUMMARY</p> <p><i>Analytical summary:</i> This description outlines the proposed objective (amendment, information only)</p> <p><i>Action to be taken:</i> A reference is made to the paragraphs of RID to be amended</p> <p><i>Related documents:</i> Other key documents are listed.</p> <p><u>Introduction</u> Background/developments, which urgently justify the amendment of RID</p> <p><u>Proposal</u> Description of the proposed amendment, incl.: the amended text of paragraphs and consequential amendments.</p> <p><u>Justification</u> <i>Safety:</i> What are the safety implications?</p> <p><i>Feasibility:</i> Which economic sector or public service is concerned by the proposed amendment? What are the consequences in terms of the advantages and disadvantages? Is a transitional period required?</p> <p><i>Enforceability:</i> Once implemented, can the amendments be observed or monitored?</p> <p>Number and dates of the session. Number of the agenda item.</p>	<p><i>Analytical summary:</i> This description outlines the proposed objective (amendment, information only)</p> <p><i>Action to be taken:</i> A reference is made to the paragraphs of ADR /AND to be amended</p> <p><i>Related documents:</i> Other key documents are listed.</p> <p><u>Introduction</u> Background/developments, which urgently justify the amendment of ADR/ADN</p> <p><u>Proposal</u> Description of the proposed amendment, incl.: the amended text of paragraphs and consequential amendments.</p> <p><u>Justification</u> <i>Safety:</i> What are the safety implications?</p> <p><i>Feasibility:</i> Which economic sector or public service is concerned by the proposed amendment? What are the consequences in terms of the advantages and disadvantages? Is a transitional period required?</p> <p><i>Enforceability:</i> Once implemented, can the amendments be observed or monitored?</p> <p>Number and dates of the session. Number of the agenda item.</p>
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