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Transport security (Securing ADR certificates)

Note by the Chairman

Following the report of the Multidisciplinary Group of Experts on Inland Transport Security which was submitted to the Inland Transport Committee (ITC) on its 70th session and approved by the Committee, the Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods has been requested to review ADR and ADN and to assess the implementation of chapter 1.10 of ADR, RID and ADN.

Some subsidiary bodies of the ITC have already studied the possibility of securing their certificates and permits, in order to make it more difficult to falsify documents.

In the framework of the European Union, the Council is examining the so-called “road package”, which comprises three proposals of EC Regulations, concerning the occupation of road transport operator, the access to the international road haulage market and access to the international market for coach and bus services.

According to these proposals, both the licences for the carriers and the certificates for the managers shall comply with the following rule:

“The document must have at least two of the following security features:
• a hologram;
• special fibres in the paper which become visible under UV-light;
• at least one microprint line (printing visible only with a magnifying glass and not reproduced by photocopying machines);
• tactile characters, symbols or patterns;
• double numbering: serial number or licence/certified copy and issuing number;
• a security design background with fine guilloche patterns and rainbow printing”

The Working Party may wish to consider the possibility of future adoption of some security features in ADR certificates (safety advisors, drivers and vehicles).