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PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO RID/ADR/ADN

Belgian comments to document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2007/34

Introduction

Belgium agrees with the decision of the Training Working Group of “Euro Contrôle Route” (ECR) to include the obligation to communicate to the competent authority the identity of the safety advisor and to hold an updated register to be used as a data base for the authorities of all Contracting Parties.

However, it is of the opinion that this can be achieved with a smaller amendment than the one proposed by Spain. Moreover, in view of the definition of “competent authority” in 1.2.1, the words “or the body designated for that purpose by each Contracting Party” in 1.8.3.5 are redundant.

Proposals

1. Introduce no amendment in 1.8.3.1.
2. Amend 1.8.3.5 as follows :

“Each undertaking concerned shall ~~on request,~~ inform the competent authority ~~or the body designated for that purpose by each Contracting Party~~ of the identity of its adviser”
“The competent authority ~~or the body designated for that purpose by each Contracting Party~~ shall hold an updated registry of the inscribed safety advisors and of the undertakings affected by 1.8.3.1 that have designated and communicated the identity of their safety advisors.”
