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Joint Meeting of the RID Committee of Experts and the Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

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PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE SESSION

Addendum

List of documents per agenda item and annotations

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The first item on the agenda concerns its adoption. The Joint Meeting will also have before it the report of its March 2008 session, held in Bern from 25 to 28 March 2008 (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/110- OTIF/RID/RC/2008-A and addendum).

The following points should be borne in mind:

(a) At its session in September 2007, the Joint Meeting elected Mr. C. Pfauvadel (France) as Chairman and Mr. H. Rein (Germany) as Vice-Chairman for 2008;

(b) UNECE documents (other than agendas or reports) with the symbol ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/ are circulated by OTIF in German under the symbol

1 See also letter A 81-02/502.2008 from the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF).
OTIF/RID/RC/ followed by the same document number. As part of the secretariat’s efforts to reduce expenditure, documents will not be available in the conference room. Delegates are kindly requested to bring their copies of documents to the meeting:

(c) The documentation will be available on the UNECE website (www.unece.org/trans/danger/danger.htm) in English, French and Russian;

(d) The Joint Meeting would, if necessary, like an ad hoc working group to meet concurrently with it to consider documents concerning tanks (item 2), after this item have been discussed in plenary;

(e) The Joint Meeting would, if necessary, like an ad hoc working group to meet outside the times of the plenary session to consider documents concerning standards (item 3), in accordance with the mandate to be decided by the Joint Meeting;

(f) A provisional timetable will be circulated as an informal document at a later stage;

(g) The reading of the report (item 10) is scheduled for Friday afternoon, 19 September.

2. TANKS

Reference documents

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/110/Add.1 Report of the Working Group on Tanks at the last session
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/110, paras. 3-14 Report of the Joint Meeting at its last session

Documents to be discussed

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2008/15 (UIP) Minimum shell thickness according to 6.8.2.1.18
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2008/20 (Sweden) Flame arrester requirements

3. STANDARDS

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2008/16 (CEN) Information on work in progress

4. INTERPRETATION OF RID/ADR/ADN

No document has been submitted under this agenda item.
5. PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO RID/ADR/ADN

(a) Pending issues

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2008/12 (Belgium) Exemptions
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2008/19 (France) Cylinders for breathing appliances
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2008/22 (Switzerland) Infectious wastes of UN 3291

(b) New proposals

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2008/11 (Switzerland) Limited quantities
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2008/14 (EIGA) New special provision for UN 2990
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2008/17 (United Kingdom) 1.8.3.13 – Safety adviser examination

6. REPORTS OF INFORMAL WORKING GROUPS

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2008/13 (Germany) Working group on periodicity of testing of cylinders

7. FUTURE WORK

The Joint Meeting may wish to arrange for the organization of the agenda for the spring 2009 session (Bern, 23-27 March 2009).

8. ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2009

The Joint Meeting may wish to elect its officers for 2009.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2008/18 (Secretariat) Draft mandate and rules of procedures for the Joint Meeting

10. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

In accordance with established practice, the Joint Meeting will adopt the report of the session on the basis of a draft established by the secretariat.

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