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#### Working Party on the Transport of Perishable Foodstuffs

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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

##### Adoption of the agenda

### Provisional agenda for the session

#### Addendum

#### Annotations

#### 1. Adoption of the agenda

1. In accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, the first item on the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda.

#### 2. Activities of ECE bodies of interest to the Working Party

(a) Inland Transport Committee

2. The Working Party will be informed about the results of the seventy-second session of the Inland Transport Committee (ITC) (23-25 February 2010) as reflected in its report (ECE/TRANS/208). The Committee had noted with satisfaction that there were 45 Contracting Parties to the Agreement on the International Carriage of Perishable Foodstuffs and on the Special Equipment to be Used for such Carriage (ATP).

3. The Committee had been informed by the Chairman of WP.11 that little progress had been made on amending the ATP at the sixty-fifth session of WP.11 due to the unanimity requirement when it came to decision-making. He mentioned in particular that a proposal to introduce an ATP test for multi-compartment multi-temperature vehicles had been blocked. Disappointed with the lack of progress on this issue which had been under discussion for many years by the Working Party, several countries were now looking into drawing up a multilateral agreement regarding such a test procedure as allowed by Article 7 of the ATP.

4. The Committee had welcomed the participation by Central Asian countries (Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan) in the sixty-fifth session of WP.11 thanks to the EU's TRACECA programme which had funded a project aimed at helping those countries to establish ATP testing facilities. The Committee had expressed its hope that Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan would shortly be able to accede to the ATP Agreement.

5. The Committee had been informed by the representative of Turkey that his country had translated the ATP into Turkish and hoped to be able to accede to the Agreement shortly (ECE/TRANS/208, paras. 82-86).

6. The Committee had adopted the reports of its subsidiary bodies and its programme of work for 2010-2014 (ECE/TRANS/208, paras. 100 and 106).

(b) Working Party on Agricultural Quality Standards

7. The Working Party will be informed about the recent activities of the Working Party on Agricultural Quality Standards (WP.7).

### **3. Activities of other international organizations dealing with issues of interest to the Working Party**

(a) International Institute of Refrigeration (IIR)

8. The Working Party will be informed about the results of the meeting of the IIR sub-commission on refrigerated transport held in Cambridge, United Kingdom, on 29 March 2010 and other relevant work of IIR.

(b) Transfrigoroute International

9. The representative of Transfrigoroute International is invited to present the recent activities of his organization.

(c) International Organization for Standardization (ISO)

10. ISO is invited to present the activities of ISO that have a bearing on the work of WP.11 including on standards for temperature recorders and maritime containers.

(d) Compatibility of ATP and European Union legislation

11. The European Commission is invited to present its current work and future plans regarding regulatory or other activities concerning the transport of perishable foodstuffs. The Working Party is also invited to discuss issues concerning the compatibility of the ATP and European Union legislation.

### **4. Status and implementation of the Agreement on the International Carriage of Perishable Foodstuffs and on the Special Equipment to be Used for such Carriage (ATP)**

(a) Status of application of the Agreement

12. The number of Contracting Parties to ATP (45) is the same as at the sixty-fifth session in 2009: Albania, Andorra, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, Morocco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tunisia, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States of America, Uzbekistan.

(b) Status of amendments

13. The revised Annex 1 to ATP adopted at the sixty-fourth session of WP.11 (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/218/Add.1) was circulated to Contracting Parties on 2 April 2009 (C.N.191.2009.TREATIES-1). Subsequently, one country had made a notification stating that although it intended to accept the proposed amendments, the conditions necessary for such acceptance were not yet fulfilled (C.N.674.2009.TREATIES-4). As a result, the proposed amendments were considered accepted on 2 July 2010 and will enter into force on 2 January 2011 (C.N.430.2010.TREATIES-3). Two corrigenda to the revised Annex 1 were notified to Contracting Parties on 26 August 2009 (C.N.522.2009.TREATIES-3) and were effected on 24 November 2009 (C.N.853.2009.TREATIES-5).

14. At the sixty-fifth session of WP.11, a correction to the French text of Annex 1, Appendix 2 was adopted. It was notified to Contracting Parties on 22 March 2010 (C.N.181.2010.TREATIES-1) and was effected on 23 June 2010 (C.N.398.2010.TREATIES-2).

(c) Test stations officially designated by the competent authorities of countries Parties to ATP

15. The current list of test stations appears at the following web link: <http://www.unece.org/trans/main/wp11/teststations.pdf>. Contracting Parties are invited to check the information and to transmit corrections or new information to the secretariat. All ATP Contracting Parties are also requested to send the address and contact information of their competent authority for ATP matters, if it does not appear in the list, so that this information can be posted on the UNECE Transport Division website.

(d) Exchange of information among Parties under Article 6 of ATP

16. At its sixty-fifth session in 2009, the Working Party stressed the importance of more countries responding to the questionnaire in 2010 if it was to be a meaningful exercise. The secretariat requested all Contracting Parties to ATP to reply to the questionnaire with their 2009 data by 3 May 2010. The data received are presented in ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2010/6.

## 5. Proposals of amendments to the ATP

(a) Pending proposals

### Sea crossings and inland waterways

17. At its sixty-fifth session, WP.11 proposed that Finland should work by e-mail with the informal working group with the aim of submitting revised proposals regarding carriage by sea and inland waterways to the sixty-sixth session. The revised proposal by Finland is contained in ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2010/1.

### Annex 1, Appendix 1

18. The Working Party is invited to consider the revised proposal made by France to introduce a type-examination certificate in Annex 1, Appendix 1 (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2009/11/Rev.1 and ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2009/11/Rev.1/Add.1).

19. The Working Party may wish to consider the comments made by the Netherlands regarding the reorganization of Annex 1, Appendix 1 (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2010/7). The Netherlands will submit a proposal for a revised Annex 1, Appendix 1 in an Informal document.

### **Temperature measurement for tanks**

20. At its sixty-fifth session, WP.11 discussed a proposal by the Russian Federation regarding the placement of temperature measuring equipment for tanks with two or more compartments (Informal document INF.6). The Russian Federation agreed to submit a revised proposal as an official document to the sixty-sixth session highlighting the modifications to be made to Annex 1, Appendix 2. The new proposal appears in ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2010/10.

### **12-year ATP tests**

21. The Working Party may wish to consider a revised amendment proposal made by France regarding the renewal of ATP certificates after 12 years (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2009/12/Rev.1).

### **6- and 9-year ATP tests**

22. The Working Party is invited to consider the revised proposal made by France regarding 6- and 9-year ATP tests for non-autonomous mechanically refrigerated equipment (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2009/13/Rev.1).

### **Annex 1, Appendix 3**

23. The Working Party may wish to consider the proposal made by the Netherlands to add a transitional provision for the new model certificate of compliance (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2010/3).

### **Annex 2, Appendix 1**

24. At its sixty-fifth session, WP.11 considered a proposal made by the Russian Federation to modify Annex 2, Appendix 1 of the ATP regarding the placement of temperature measurement and recording equipment (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2009/20). As proposed, the Russian Federation has submitted a revised proposal for discussion at the sixty-sixth session of WP.11 (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2010/9).

(b) New proposals

### **Annex 1, Appendix 2**

25. The Working Party is invited to consider the amendment proposed by France to introduce an updated reference to a standard (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2010/11).

26. The Working Party may wish to consider whether a correction to section 6.2 of Annex 1, Appendix 2 is necessary (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2010/13).

### **Annex 1, Appendix 3**

27. The Working Party is invited to consider the proposal by Sweden to amend the certificate of compliance (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2010/5).

### **Annex 3**

28. The Working Party may wish to consider proposals made by Finland (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2010/2) to amend Annex 3 of the ATP and by the Netherlands (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2010/4) to amend annexes 2 and 3. Comments on ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2010/2 by Denmark appear in an Informal document.

## **6. ATP Handbook**

29. The latest version of the ATP Handbook appears on the Transport Division website in English, French and Russian at the following link: [http://unece.org/trans/main/wp11/atp\\_handbook.html](http://unece.org/trans/main/wp11/atp_handbook.html).

30. The WP.11 may wish to consider the proposal made by the United Kingdom to include a comment in the ATP Handbook regarding the measurement of the wall area of panel vans (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2010/12).

31. The Working Party is invited to consider the proposals made by the Russian Federation to add comments and an explanatory graphic to the ATP Handbook regarding the placement of temperature measurement devices for tanks with two or more compartments (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2010/10).

32. The WP.11 may wish to consider the proposal made by the Netherlands to include a comment in the ATP Handbook regarding a transitional period for the new model certificate of compliance (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2010/3).

33. The Working Party is invited to consider the proposal made by the Russian Federation to add a comment to Annex 2, Appendix 1 of the ATP Handbook regarding air temperature measurement (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2010/9).

34. The WP.11 may wish to consider adding a glossary of terminology to the ATP Handbook. A proposal by France was submitted at the sixty-second session of WP.11 in 2006 and is reproduced for easy reference in an Informal document.

## **7. Scope of ATP**

35. At its sixty-fifth session, the Russian Federation was invited to continue its work on developing a proposal for the sixty-sixth session on extending the scope of the ATP to fruit and vegetables. A revised questionnaire prepared by the Russian Federation was sent to ATP Contracting Parties on 16 June 2010.

## **8. Energy labelling, refrigerants and blowing agents**

36. At its sixty-fifth session, WP.11 discussed the issue of energy labelling, refrigerants and blowing agents and the possibility of holding a workshop on environmental aspects under the auspices of WP.11 in 2010. A number of delegations felt that 2010 was not appropriate since other similar events were already scheduled to take place that year. It was decided therefore to re-discuss the possibility of holding a workshop at the sixty-sixth session.

## **9. Rules of procedure**

37. At its sixty-fifth session, WP.11 had an initial examination of draft rules of procedure proposed by the secretariat in ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2009/6. Delegates were invited to send in additional comments. A revised draft reflecting comments made appears in ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2009/6/Rev.1. WP.11 is invited to adopt the final text which will then be subject to approval by the Inland Transport Committee and the ECE Executive Committee.

## **10. Election of officers**

38. The Working Party is expected to elect a Chairman and Vice-Chairman for its sixty-seventh session in 2011.

## **11. Other business**

39. A number of ATP Contracting Parties have decided to draw up a multilateral agreement (as foreseen by Article 7 of the ATP) on the recognition of test procedures for multi-temperature equipment. The draft text of the multilateral agreement appears in document ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2010/8 and is made available to WP.11 for information. The multilateral agreement is expected to be finalised before the sixty-sixth session of WP.11. This document is not subject to approval or modification by WP.11.

40. The Working Party may wish to consider any other business under this item.

(a) Date of the sixty-seventh session

41. The dates of 25-28 October 2011 have been tentatively reserved for the sixty-seventh session of WP.11.

## **12. Adoption of the report**

42. The Working Party is expected to adopt the report on its sixty-sixth session based on a draft prepared by the secretariat.

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