1. Adoption of the agenda

The first item on the agenda concerns its adoption. The Joint Meeting will also have before it the report on its spring 2012 session, held in Bern from 19 to 23 March 2012 (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/126 and -/Corr.1 and -/Add.1 – OTIF/RID/RC/2012-A and addendum 1).

The following points should be borne in mind:

(a) At its autumn 2011 session, the Joint Meeting elected Mr. C. Pfauvadel (France) as Chairman and Mr. H. Rein (Germany) as Vice-Chairman for 2012;

(b) UNECE documents (other than agendas or reports) with the symbol ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/ are circulated by the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) in German under the symbol 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 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;
(e) 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;

(f) The reading of the report (item 10) is scheduled for Friday morning (21 September 2012) without interpretation.

2. Tanks

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2012/23 (Romania) + informal document INF.3
Definitions for “Closure”, “Tank” and “Shell”

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2012/25 (Netherlands)
Use of vacuum-operated waste tanks

3. Standards

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2012/26 (CEN)
Information on work in progress in CEN

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.1/2012/28 (United-Kingdom)
Carriage in bulk
+ informal documents INF.4 and INF.5

(b) New proposals

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2012/21 (Switzerland)
Special provision 658

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2012/22 (CEPE)
Description of pollutants

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2012/24 (Romania)
Amendments to 5.2.2.2.2 Specimen labels

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2012/27 (Switzerland)
Special provision 363

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2012/29 (IDGCA)
Flexible bulk containers
+ ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2011/30, paragraphs 43 and 44
+ ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2011/30/Add.1, amendments to 1.2.1 (Definition of flexible bulk containers), Chapter 6.11 and Chapters 7.1, 7.3 and 7.5
6. **Reports of informal working groups**
   
   No document has been submitted under this agenda item.

7. **Election of officers for 2013**
   
   The Joint Meeting may wish to elect its officers for 2013.

8. **Future work**
   
   The Joint Meeting may wish to arrange for the organization of the agenda for the spring 2013 session (Bern, 18-22 March 2013).

9. **Any other business**
   
   No document has been submitted under this agenda item.

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.