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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

Provisional agenda for the autumn 2015 session

Addendum

Annotations and list of documents

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 2015 session, held in Bern from 23 to 27 March 2015 (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/138 – OTIF/RID/RC/2015-A and Add 1).

The following points should be borne in mind:

(a) At its autumn 2014 session, the Joint Meeting elected Mr. C. Pfauvadel (France) as Chairman and Mr. H. Rein (Germany) as Vice-Chairman for 2015;

(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 5), 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 6), after this item have been discussed in plenary;

(f) As Wednesday, 23 September 2015 is a holiday at the United Nations, there will be no interpretation on that day, which will be reserved for the working groups and perhaps the reading of those parts of the draft report that are available. The working groups on tanks and standards will meet in the second week. The reading of the report, or of the end of the report, will take place on Friday, 25 September, without interpretation.

2. Harmonization with the United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/23 and - /Add.1 (Secretariat)	Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Harmonization of RID/ADR/ADN with the United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/29 (Secretariat)	Amendments related to mark/markings and cargo transport unit for RID/ADR/ADN

3. Proposals for amendments to RID/ADR/AND

(a) Pending issues

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/24 (Belgium)	Transport document for empty, uncleaned packagings
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/25 (Spain)	Carriage in bulk
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/26/Rev.1 (Germany)	Possibility of electronic processes in the examination of safety advisers, ADR vehicle drivers and ADN experts
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/37 and informal document INF.5 (Sweden/Spain)	Loader and unloader

(b) New proposals

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/28 (Germany)	Competent authority in accordance with special provision 376
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/30 (OTIF Secretariat/UNECE Secretariat)	Transitional provisions
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/32 (United Kingdom)	Amendments to the text of RID/ADR for the requirements of placarding and marking in Chapter 1.4
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/33 (Romania)	The uniform use of the term "code" in Chapter 7.3 RID/ADR
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/34 and informal document INF.3 (Romania)	Amendments to the carrier obligations - Sub-section 1.4.2.2 in RID/ADR/ADN

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/35 (Romania)	Amendments to section 5.4.3 Instructions in writing in RID/ADR/ADN
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/36 (Portugal)	Clarification to Dangerous Goods List (Table A)
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/40 (Switzerland)	Exemption in accordance with 1.1.3.3
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/41 (Switzerland)	Marking of cargo transport units
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/42 (Switzerland)	Deletion of packing groups for articles: consequential amendments
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/43 (Switzerland)	Labels and marks
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/44 (Switzerland)	Amendment of special provision 655 due to a change in European legislation
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/45 (United Kingdom)	Requirements for the approval of packages for radioactive material: Package design validation
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/46 (Austria)	Dangerous goods safety adviser certificate
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/47 (Austria)	Marks in accordance with RID/ADR/ADN 3.4.13
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/49 (ECMA)	Amendment of the provisions relating to gas cartridges in 6.2.6.4
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/50 (ECMA)	Amendment to 6.2.6.1.5
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/52 (Russian Federation)	Assignment of CV/CW36 for loading, unloading and handling to UN No. 2211
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/53 (Netherlands)	Widening of the scope of special provision 643

4. Reports of informal working groups

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/38 (EIGA)	Report of the informal working group on “Provisions on equipment for tanks and pressure receptacles” including proposals for revising the text of RID/ADR/ADN concerning pressure receptacles
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/48 (AEGPL)	Periodic inspection and test of some transportable refillable LPG steel cylinders

5. Standards

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/15 and informal document INF.36 from the spring 2015 session (United Kingdom)	Tanks and Standards: EN 12972:2014 Tanks for transport of dangerous goods – Testing, inspection and marking of metallic tanks
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6. Tanks

ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/27 (UIC)	Carriage of tanks, battery-wagons / battery-vehicles and MEGC following the expiry of deadlines for periodic and intermediate inspections
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/31 (Latvia)	Proposal for amendments to special provisions TU21 of chapter 4.3 of RID/ADR
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/39 (Norway)	Carriage of dangerous goods in MEGCs loaded on a vehicle equipped with a hydraulic hook lift hoist
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/51 (Netherlands)	Shells with protective linings
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2015/54 (Netherlands)	Limitations to the approval of vacuum insulated tanks for the carriage of LNG by indirect referenced standard
Informal document INF.4 (CEN)	Request for advice from the Working Group on Tanks

7. Interpretation of RID/ADR/ADN

No document has been submitted under this agenda item.

8. Accidents and risk management

No document has been submitted under this agenda item.

9. Election of officers for 2016

10. Future work

The Joint Meeting may wish to arrange for the organization of the agenda for the spring 2016 session (Bern, 14-18 March 2016).

11. Any other business

No document has been submitted under this agenda item.

12. 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.
