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I. Attendance

1. The Administrative Committee of the European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways held its seventeenth session in Geneva on 26 August 2016 under the chairmanship of Mr. H. Rein (Germany) and vice-chairmanship of Mr. B. Birkhuber (Austria). Representatives of the following Contracting Parties took part in the work of the session: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, France, Germany, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia, Switzerland and Ukraine.
2. The Administrative Committee noted that the quorum of half of the Contracting Parties required for taking decisions had been reached.
3. In accordance with article 17, paragraph 2 of ADN, and following a decision by the Committee (ECE/ADN/2, para. 8), a representative of the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR) took part in the session as observer.

II. Adoption of the agenda (agenda item 1)

Documents: ECE/ADN/37 and Add.1

4. The Administrative Committee adopted the agenda prepared by the secretariat.

III. Status of the European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways (ADN) (agenda item 2)

5. The Administrative Committee noted that the number of Contracting Parties to ADN was unchanged at 18: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Hungary, Luxembourg, Republic of Moldova, Netherlands, Poland, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia, Slovakia, Switzerland and Ukraine.

IV. Matters relating to the implementation of ADN (agenda item 3)

A. Classification societies

7. The Administrative Committee noted that Bureau Veritas and Lloyds Register had provided information to the Safety Committee regarding their ISO 17020:2012 accreditation (see ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.20, paras. 21 and 22).

B. Special authorizations, derogations and equivalents

1. Temporary derogation for "Donau" pusher vessel

Document: ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2016/48 (Belgium)

8. The Administrative Committee endorsed the recommendation of the Safety Committee (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/60, para. 8) authorizing the competent authority of Belgium to issue, in accordance with 1.5.3.2, a temporary derogation for the "Donau"

pusher vessel that would allow her to use a dry aerosol generating fire extinguishing system (see annex).

2. Special authorization for the carriage of UN No. 1148 Diacetone alcohol in tank-vessels from Belgium to the Netherlands

Informal document: INF.2 (Belgium)

9. The Administrative Committee noted that the Government of Belgium and the Netherlands had authorized the company "Monument Chemical" to carry diacetone alcohol in tank-vessels on their territory in the conditions specified in INF.2 (Special authorization 2016/01). These conditions have been referred by the ADN Safety Committee to its informal working group on substances in order to prepare a corresponding amendment to table C of the Regulations annexed to ADN.

C. Miscellaneous notifications

Informal document: INF.1 (Slovakia)

10. The Committee noted with satisfaction that the Government of Slovakia has provided information on examination statistics for 2014-2015 and decided to refer those statistics to the Safety Committee's informal working group on the training of experts. The Committee was also informed that Slovakia has not yet recognized any inspection body in accordance with 1.16.4 of the Regulations annexed to ADN.

V. Work of the Safety Committee (agenda item 4)

11. The Committee took note of the report of the Safety Committee on its twenty-ninth session (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/60) and adopted:

(a) Proposed amendments for the purpose of bringing the Regulations annexed to ADN in line with the amended versions of ADR and RID that should be applicable as of 1 January 2017 (see ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/60, annex I). The secretariat was requested to publish them as an addendum to document ECE/ADN/36 (ECE/ADN/36/Add.1) and to ensure their communication to Contracting Parties no later than 1 September 2016 in accordance with the procedure outlined in article 20, paragraph 5 (a) of ADN, so that they could enter into force on 1 January 2017, i.e. one month after acceptance by Contracting Parties;

(b) All proposed corrections to the previously notified amendments to the Regulations annexed to ADN (ECE/ADN/36) (see ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/60, annex II). As these corrections are subject to the acceptance of the amendments listed in ECE/ADN/36, the secretariat was requested to publish them as a corrigendum to document ECE/ADN/36 (ECE/ADN/36/Corr.1) and to arrange for their communication to Contracting Parties on 1 October 2016 (expected date of acceptance of the amendments) for acceptance in accordance with the usual procedure for corrections so that they could become effective at the latest by 1 January 2017; and

(c) All proposed corrections to the Regulations annexed to ADN, as listed in ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/60, annex III. The secretariat was requested to arrange for their communication no later than 1 October 2016 to Contracting Parties for acceptance in accordance with the usual procedure for corrections so that they could become effective at the latest by 1 January 2017.

12. The Committee noted that the ADN Safety Committee had adopted amendments to the Regulations annexed to ADN for entry into force on 1 January 2019 (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/60, annex IV). Since additional amendments were expected to be adopted by the Safety Committee at its future sessions for entry into force on 1 January 2019, the Committee decided to consider them at a later stage.

VI. Programme of work and calendar of meetings (agenda item 5)

13. The Committee noted that its next session was scheduled to take place at noon on 27 January 2017 and that the deadline for submission of documents for that meeting was 28 October 2016. The summer session should take place on 31 August 2016.

VII. Any other business (agenda item 6)

14. The Committee requested the secretariat to take account of all corrections and the relevant amendments adopted at the session in the new consolidated "2017" edition of ADN which was being prepared.

VIII. Adoption of the report (agenda item 7)

15. The Administrative Committee adopted the report on its seventeenth session on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat and sent to delegations for approval by e-mail after the session.

Annex

Decision of the ADN Administrative Committee relating to the use of a dry aerosol generating fire extinguisher system (Fire Pro) on the pusher vessel DONAU (06105358)

Derogation No. 2/2016 of 26 August 2016

The Competent authority of Belgium is authorised to issue an addition to the certificate of approval of the pusher DONAU (06105358) for the use of a dry aerosol generating fire extinguisher system (Fire Pro).

Pursuant to paragraph 1.5.3.2 of the Regulations annexed to ADN, the above-mentioned vessel may deviate until 31 December 2018 from the requirement of paragraph 9.1.0.40.2.1, Extinguishing agent: The extinguishing agent is not listed in the paragraph. The vessel is equipped with a permanently fixed fire extinguisher agent of the dry aerosol generating fire extinguishing system (Fire Pro).

The Administrative Committee decides that the use of this dry aerosol generating fire extinguisher is sufficiently safe if the conditions set by the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR)* are met at all times.

The following condition shall also apply:

1. All data related to use of the dry aerosol generating fire extinguisher system (Fire Pro) shall be collected by the carrier. The data shall be sent to the competent authority on request.
2. After use of the permanently fixed fire extinguisher agent, an evaluation report shall be sent to UNECE secretariat for information of the Administrative Committee, including the operational data and the inspection report by the classification society which classed the vessel.

* Refer to informal document INF.3 submitted at the 28th session of the ADN Safety Committee available at: <http://www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/trans/doc/2016/dgwp15ac2/WP15-AC2-28-inf03e.pdf> and INF.30 submitted at the 29th session of the ADN Safety Committee available at: <http://www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/trans/doc/2016/dgwp15ac2/WP15-AC2-29-inf30e.pdf>.