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Annotated Provisional Agenda for the ninth session^{1,2}

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 9.30 a.m. on Monday, 12 December 2016.

I. Provisional Agenda

1. Adoption of the Agenda.

2. Programme of Work – Development of a road/rail interface strategy with recommendations:

(a) Part I of the final report;

¹ For reasons of economy, delegates are requested to bring copies of all relevant documents to the session. There will be no documentation available in the conference room. Before the session, documents may be downloaded from the UNECE Sustainable Transport Division's website (www.unece.org/trans/main/welcwp1.html). On an exceptional basis, documents may also be obtained by e-mail (roadsafety@unece.org) or by fax (+41 22 917 0039). During the session, official documents may be obtained from the UNOG Documents Distribution Section (Room C.337, third floor, Palais des Nations).

² All delegates are requested to complete the registration form available for download at the UNECE Sustainable Transport Division's website (<u>www.unece.org/trans/registfr.html</u>). It should be transmitted to the UNECE secretariat no later than one week prior to the session by e-mail (roadsafety@unece.org) or by fax (+41 22 917 0039). Upon arrival at the Palais des Nations, delegates should obtain an identification badge at the UNOG Security and Safety Section, located at the Pregny Gate (14, Avenue de la Paix). In case of difficulty, please contact the secretariat by telephone (ext.75716 or 72401). For a map of the Palais des Nations and other useful information, see website www.unece.org/meetings/practical.htm.

- (b) Part II of the final report.
- 3. Other Business.
- 4. Adoption of the Report.

II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the Agenda

The Group of Experts (GE.1) will be invited to adopt the session's agenda.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.1/GE.1/20

2. Programme of Work – Development of a road/rail interface strategy with recommendations

GE.1 is expected to consider and endorse its final report. The report consists of two parts. Part I describes and evaluates key factors contributing to unsafe conditions at level crossings in areas such as infrastructure, national legislation, user behaviour, management, education and enforcement. Part II contains a strategy for improving safety performance at level crossings and an accompanying action plan.

The current version of the report was prepared by the Report Drafting Group supported by the secretariat. The Drafting Group met in Geneva on 15 and 16 September 2016.

(a) **Part I of the final report**

GE.1 will consider Part I of the report chapter by chapter paying particular attention to each chapter's conclusions and recommendations. GE.1 may wish to consider whether further recommendations should be added.

Chapters of Part I of the report:

(a) Safety performance at level crossings in UNECE member countries and other selected countries;

(b) Data on safety at level crossings in UNECE member countries and other selected countries;

(c) Assessment of costs of level crossings accidents in UNECE member countries and other selected countries;

(d) Prevailing legislation in UNECE countries and other selected countries for ensuring safety at level crossings;

(e) Use of management techniques including risk management by UNECE countries and other selected countries that prevent unsafe conditions at level crossings;

(f) Use of enforcement by UNECE member countries and other selected countries that prevent unsafe conditions at level crossings;

(g) Education for preventing unsafe conditions at level crossings provided in UNECE member countries and other selected countries;

(h) Analysis of human factors in UNECE member countries and other selected countries that prevent unsafe conditions at level crossings.

(i) Level crossing infrastructure and technology in UNECE member countries and other selected countries that prevent unsafe conditions at level crossings.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.1/GE.1/2016/2 (contains chapters (a) to (e)) ECE/TRANS/WP.1/GE.1/2016/3 (contains chapters (f) to (i))

(b) Part II of the final report

GE.1 will consider Part II of the report.

GE.1 will be invited to endorse the final report which will be submitted to its parent body – Working Party on Road Traffic Safety – for discussion and possible adoption.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.1/GE.1/2016/4

3. Other Business

GE.1 may wish to discuss other issues of interest.

4. Adoption of the Report

The Group of Experts will adopt the report of its ninth session.

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