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Implementation of the Inland Transport Committee's strategy until 2030

Note by the secretariat

In relation to the list of decision adopted by the Inland transport Committee (ITC) at its eighty-third session, delegates may wish to consult ITC document ITC ECE/TRANS/2021/3 (available in English, French and Russian):

 $\underline{https://unece.org/transport/documents/2021/01/working-documents/implementation-itc-\underline{strategy-until-2030}}$

In particular, section 5, item 5.1 to 5.6 and 5.9 contain actions from the list of priorities which may be relevant for WP.15.

Delegations who wish to comment on the actions listed, identify actions already carried out by WP.15 and those which could be developed within the framework of WP.15 or more broadly within the framework of the Joint Meeting with a multimodal approach are invited to send their views in writing to the Chairs of the Working Party before 1st July. The Chairs will prepare a response for the ITC Bureau based on the comments received.

The following actions and comments have already been identified:

- For item 5.1, steps 1. and 4., the secretariat will prepare, with the support of the Bureau of WP.15, a revised version of the Road Map for consideration at the next session;
- For item 5.1, step 2., the Working Party may wish to agree with the need to secure a mandate from the General Assembly or the ECOSOC for translation of ADR in all six UN official languages since ADR is recognised as a legal instrument with global scope.
- For item 5.1, step 3, the Working Party will continue its collaboration with WP.1 and WP.29 for ensuring consistency between specific legal instruments.
- For item 5.3, it seems that no further action is needed for the Working Party. ADR is open for accession by all UN Member States and the removal of the word "European" in the title will facilitate accession from those for which the reference "European" could be perceived as a symbolic obstacle.
- For item 5.5, it seems that no further action is needed for the Working Party.
- Point 5.5. WP.15 non concerné. ADR already provides for mutual recognition of agreements and certificates and multilateral agreements have proven their effectiveness in extraordinary circumstances.