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**Economic Commission for Europe**

Inland Transport Committee

**Special session**

Geneva, 29 April 2022

 Report of the Inland Transport Committee special session

 I. Chair

1. The Inland Transport Committee (ITC or Committee) of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) held its special session on 29 April 2022 in Geneva, with Mr. G. Georgiadis (ITC Secretary) as Acting Chair for agenda items 1, 2 and 3 (partially) and Ms. H. Meesters (the Netherlands) as Chair for agenda items 3 (partially), 4 and 5.

 II. Attendance

2. Representatives of the following ECE countries participated: Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Montenegro, Netherlands (the), Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America.

3. The European Union was represented as observer.

 III. Adoption of the agenda (agenda item 1)

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4. The Committee **adopted** the provisional agenda (ECE/TRANS/323).

 IV. Election of Chair for the special session (agenda item 2)

*Documentation:* Informal document No. 1

5. The Committee, after considering the various options **decided by consensus** to **request** the secretariat to serve as acting chair for the sole purpose of presiding over a part of Agenda Item 3 for the election of the ITC Chair for the ordinary sessions in 2023 and 2024 who, after being elected, presided over the remainder of the special session.

 V. Election of Officers for Inland Transport Committee sessions in 2023 and 2024 (agenda item 3)

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6. The Committee **elected by** **acclamation** Ms. H. Meesters (the Netherlands) as its Chair for the ITC sessions in 2023 and 2024.

7. The Committee then **proceeded** with the election of its Vice-Chairs for the same period. *A vote was taken by secret ballot:*

 *Number of ballot papers: 35*

*Number of invalid ballots: 0*

*Number of valid ballots: 35*

*Number of abstentions: 1*

*Number of member States present and voting: 34*

*Required majority: 18*

*Number of votes obtained:*

Ms. M.P. Meganck (France): 33

Mr. A. Erario (Italy): 33

Mr J. Kleniewski (Poland): 33

Mr. R. Symonenko (Ukraine): 32

Mr. S. Andreev (Russian Federation): 1

8. Having obtained the required majority and the largest number of votes, Ms. M.P. Meganck (France), Mr. A. Erario (Italy), Mr J. Kleniewski (Poland), and Mr. R. Symonenko (Ukraine) were elected as ITC Vice-Chairs for the ITC sessions in 2023 and 2024.

 VI. Composition of the Bureau for the Inland Transport Committee sessions in 2023 and 2024 (agenda item 4)

9. The Committee **elected by** **acclamation as** its Bureau members for its sessions in 2023 and 2024 the following: Mr. K. Schockaert (Belgium), Mr. P. von Carnap-Bornheim (Germany), Mr. A. Felder (Switzerland), Ms. J. Peters (United Kingdom) and Ms. J. Abraham (United States of America).

 VII. Adoption of the report of the special session (agenda item 5)

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10. The Committee **adopted** the report of the special session (ECE/TRANS/324).