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Any other business

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Comments on informal document INF.5 – Guidelines for the use of 5.4.0.2 in RID/ADR/ADN – use of the data model in the context of the eFTI-regulation – update on the work in the DTLF forum

Transmitted by the European Commission

1. The European Commission welcomes the efforts ongoing at UNECE level to digitalise freight documents. The non-binding guidelines developed by the telematics working group of the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting are a useful input to the contracting parties.
2. The European Union is as well very active in the field of digitalisation of transport documents. Work is ongoing in the context of the Digital Transport and Logistic Forum (DTLF), which assists the Commission in the implementation of Regulation (EU) 2020/10561 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 July 2020 on electronic freight transport information, the so called eFTI Regulation.
3. The European Commission takes note of the points raised by the delegations of France and Germany in the informal document INF.5.
4. It wishes to reiterate that the concerns expressed in informal document INF.5 are not justified and that no conclusions should be drawn at this stage. In fact, experts' discussions are still ongoing as regards datasets, data models and architecture models.
5. In this context, the European Commission intends to take additional steps to further facilitate a better understanding of the needs of authorities involved in the transport of dangerous goods by those involved in the developments of the eFTI requirements. EU Member States' experts are invited to take an active part in these activities.

¹ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32020R1056&qid=1662972939119&from=EN>