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Transmitted by the International Road Transport Union

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TIR operational forecast 2023

Dear Mr Li,

Thank you for your today's letter ref. UNECE/2022/TRANS/47/YL/KA. As per the established practice I inform you that IRU's operational forecast of the number of TIR carnets to be distributed in 2023 has been set at 564,000.

The forecast for 2022 could not be realised because of enormous disruptions of supply chains, which will continue suffering huge challenges in 2023. At the same time, some countries and regions have shown increases in the use of TIR, recognising the value it brings to the public and private sectors. Furthermore, TIR has been proving its great benefits in the Middle East and the trend in its use there is expected to grow rapidly.

UNECE and IRU have been working hand in hand in promoting TIR in new regions, notably in Africa, where the harmonisation of transit is much needed for enhancing intra- and inter-regional trade.

The strong support from UNECE and all Contracting Parties to the TIR Convention, our joint progress in TIR digitalisation and the expansion of the TIR system should undoubtedly lead towards more resilient, transparent, and efficient logistics and trade. IRU kindly requests that you bring this letter to the attention of the Administrative Committee.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'U. de Pretto'.

Umberto de Pretto
Secretary General