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**Economic Commission for Europe**

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**Working Party on Rail Transport**

**Revisions Committee to the Model Rules on**

**the Permanent Identification of Railway Rolling Stock**

**First session**

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Item 3 of the provisional agenda

**Background information on the Revisions Committee**

 Template letter for SC.2 membership for the activities of the Model Rules

 Submitted by the Secretariat

 I. Introduction

1. The annex to this document provides a suggested template letter, to be submitted to the Executive Secretary of UNECE by non-ECE member States, wishing to declare an interest in the Model Rules on the Permanent Identification of Railway Rolling Stock and in the related activities of the Revisions Committee to the Model Rules on the Permanent Identification of Railway Rolling Stock. In so doing, the relevant non-ECE member State would be able to be a full member of the Working Party on Rail Transport for those agenda items, at the Working Party’s sessions, that relate to this subject matter, in accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Working Party on Rail Transport as contained in Annex II of document ECE/TRANS/2023/9, Rule 1(b). Full membership allows for full participation in the decision making process for all the activities under the relevant agenda items.

2. The next session of the Working Party on Rail Transport that will discuss the outcomes of the first session of the Revisions Committee will be held 15-17 November 2023. Non-ECE member States are kindly requested to express their interest, and send their letter, so that it is received no later than 10 working days prior to the start of the November session.

Ref.: Your reference

4 August 2023

Dear Madam Executive Secretary,

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Working Party on Rail Transport as contained in Annex II of document ECE/TRANS/2023/9, Rule 1(b), I would like to inform you that **[INSERT MEMBER STATE NAME]** would like to declare an interest in the Model Rules on the Permanent Identification of Railway Rolling Stock adopted by the Inland Transport Committee at its eighty-fifth session in February 2023 and in the related activities of the Revisions Committee to the Model Rules on the Permanent Identification of Railway Rolling Stock. As such, with this letter, we request to be considered as full members of the Working Party on Rail Transport for those agenda items, at the Working Party’s sessions, that relate to this subject matter.

I look forward to continued, excellent collaboration on this and other topics going forward.

Yours sincerely,

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