Informal meeting on Code of Practice for Packing of Cargo Transport Units at the request of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Working Party on Intermodal Transport and Logistics

Geneva and virtual, 5-6 July 2023

Annotated provisional agenda for the 2023 second informal meeting

starting at 12.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 5 July 2023

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1. Introduction

The United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) Working Party on Intermodal Transport and Logistics (WP.24) at its 65th session (Geneva, 19-21 October 2022) prolonged the informal pre-work on CTU Code for one more year to continue: (i) assess which areas of the CTU Code need to be prioritized in the updates, and (ii) consider text usage of the CTU Code in the mobile application. The informal pre-work is prolonged due to continuous absence of a decision on the establishment of an official group of experts on the CTU Code.

Experts participating in the informal pre-work on the CTU Code are requested to advance further the work on both tasks, and to report progress achieved to WP.24 at its 66th session in October 2023 as well as make specific proposals for updates at the WP.24 Special Session on CTU Code on 5-7 December 2023.

2. Chair for the meeting

Participants may wish to appoint a chair for the meeting to facilitate the discussions.



3. Agenda of the meeting

Participants are invited to follow the agenda as contained in the current document for the second 2023 informal meeting.

Documentation

CTU-Code/2023/second-informal-meeting/1

4. Updates to the CTU Code

Participants are invited to continue deliberations on the following issues:

- (i) Prevention of pest contamination, and
- (ii) Chains of responsibilities with focus on the review of definitions for terms used in the CTU Code.

In this regard, outcomes will be presented from the intersessional work. The following documents will be introduced to support further deliberations:

- CTU-Code/2023/second-informal-meeting/3 prevention of pest contamination
- CTU-Code/2023/ second-informal-meeting/4 consolidated definitions
- CTU-Code/2023/ second-informal-meeting/5 chains of responsibility and information

Participants are invited to consider these documents and make proposals, as appropriate, for possible updates to the CTU Code.

In addition, participants are invited to consider submission from World Shipping Council stipulated in CTU-Code/2023/second-informal-meeting/6 pertaining to decision of the 2023 first informal meeting that the proposed clause 5.3.7 on Weighing should not be added to the CTU Code.

Participants are also requested to consider submission from Environmental Investigation Agency (EIA), TRAFFIC, United for Wildlife (UFW), and World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) stipulated in CTU-Code/2023/second-informal-meeting/7 which proposes updates to CTU Code pertaining to combatting illegal wildlife trafficking in containerized shipments.

Documentation

CTU-Code/2023/second-informal-meeting/3

CTU-Code/2023/second-informal-meeting/4

CTU-Code/2023/second-informal-meeting/5

CTU-Code/2023/second-informal-meeting/6

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5. CTU Code mobile application

Participants are invited to continue discussion on the development of the CTU Code mobile application and the involvement of commercial developers therein taking into account guidance from IMO Publishing.

6. Other Business

Experts will have the opportunity to inform of any other business related to the informal pre-work on the CTU Code.

7. Date and Place of Next Meeting

There will be no more meetings organized in 2023. Organization of future meetings will be subject to a decision of Working Party on Intermodal Transport and Logistics at its 66th session on 18-22 October 2023.

Work schedule:

Wed, 5 July: 12:30 pm to 4:30 pm CET

Thu, 6 July: 12 pm to 4 pm CET