Access to TIR transport data by holders

Note by the secretariat

I. Background and mandate

1. At its seventy-fourth session, the Committee considered document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2020/18/Rev.1, presenting technological solutions to address concerns about exclusions and withdrawals in ITDB, raised by the Government of Uzbekistan and IRU.

2. After consideration by the Committee and its recommendations of adjustments as recorded in the report of the seventy-fourth session, in the document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/151 (Para. 29), the technological solutions proposed by the secretariat was approved.

3. At its seventy-nineth session, the Committee was presented the latest updates to the eTIR information technologies projects, in particular for the eTIR Portal and eTIR Mobile applications, the new functionalities, ready to be activated, to give access to the TIR Transport information to the holders, by querying this information from the eTIR international system.

12. Before consideration to activate such features in production by the Committee, the secretariat noticed that in its current state the eTIR specifications were not explicitly giving access to the TIR Carnet holders to the E5 - query guarantee eTIR message/functionality. This one is necessary to allowing the holders to access the information related to their own TIR transports. This document will describe the proposed amendments to the current eTIR specifications (version 4.3), required for the holders to access the TIR transport and guarantee information recorded in the eTIR information system.
II. Proposed amendment to the eTIR specifications

13. Considering the existing E5 - Query guarantee / E6 - Query results eTIR messages that are currently accessible to the guarantee chain to get the latest guarantee and transport information data as recorded by the customs authorities. The proposal is to update the eTIR specifications to extend the access to these eTIR messages (to access the latest recorded guarantee and transport information) also to the TIR Carnet holders.

13. Allowing TIR carnet holders to access E5 - Query guarantee / E6 - Query results eTIR messages would enable the implementation and deployment of technological solutions such as web and mobile applications for TIR carnet holders to have access to TIR transport data related to their own transports only. The benefits are a higher transparency on the TIR procedure for the transport operators as well as an improved capacity to share guarantee and TIR transport information with the customs officers by the holder mobile personnel/drivers.

13. In the figure 1 below, is highlighted the updated flow of information that would result as a result to approving this proposal and that would be:

![Figure 1 – eTIR messages high level overview](image_url)

IV. Considerations by the Committee

32. Considering elements presented in this document and the technical feasibility of this change in the current version of the application, the secretariat would like to propose to amend the eTIR specifications 4.3 to extend the access to the existing E5 - Query guarantee
/ E6 - Query results eTIR messages to the TIR carnet holders to access their own guarantee and TIR transport data. The Committee may consider this proposal and provide overall guidance on this matter.