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CUSTOMS CONVENTION ON THE INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT OF GOODS UNDER COVER OF TIR CARNETS (TIR CONVENTION) GENEVA, 14 NOVEMBER 1975

PROPOSAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE TIR CONVENTION AND TO ANNEXES 1 AND 6

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

On 16 January 2001, the Secretary-General received proposed amendments to the above Convention (Phase II of the TIR revision process). In accordance with the provisions of article 59 (2) of the Convention, the proposed amendments were adopted by the Administrative Committee at its twentyninth session held in Geneva on 19 and 20 October 2000.

A copy of Annex 3 of the document (TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/59) of 4 January 2001, in the English, French and Russian languages, which contains the text of the proposed amendments is transmitted herewith to the Contracting Parties, in accordance with article 59 (2) of the Convention. A copy of the proposed amendments is also transmitted herewith, for information, to the other States and organizations concerned.

In accordance with the provisions of article 59 (3) of the Convention, the proposed amendments to the Convention (except for the proposed amendments to annexes 1 and 6 of the Convention) will come into force with respect to all Contracting Parties three months after the expiry of a period of twelve months following the date of this communication during which no objection to the proposed amendments has been communicated to the Secretary-General of the United Nations by a State which is a Contracting Party.

In connection with the amendments to annexes 1 and 6 of the Convention, reference is made to the procedure set forth in article 60 of the Convention, which reads as follows:

A1. Any proposed amendment to annexes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 considered in accordance with paragraphs 1 and 2 of article 59 shall come into force on a date to be determined by the Administrative Committee at the time of its adoption, unless by a prior date determined by the Administrative Committee at the same time, one-fifth or five of the States which are Contracting Parties, whichever number is less, notify the Secretary-General of the United Nations of their objection to the amendment. Determination by the Administrative Committee of the dates referred to in this paragraph shall be by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting.

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2. On entry into force, any amendment adopted in accordance with the procedure set out in paragraph 1above shall for all Contracting Parties replace and supersede any previous provisions to which amendment refers.@

In accordance with the provisions of article 60 (1) of the Convention, the Administrative Committee decided that the proposed amendments to annexes 1 and 6 of the Convention will come into force pursuant to the provisions of article 59 (3) of the Convention.

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