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Ad hoc Working Group on the Revision
of the AETR

Third session
Geneva, 22-24 May 2006

**ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE THIRD SESSION OF THE
AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON THE REVISION OF THE EUROPEAN
AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE WORK OF CREWS OF VEHICLES
ENGAGED IN INTERNATIONAL ROAD TRANSPORT (AETR)***

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva
starting at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, 22 May 2006

I. PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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| 1. Adoption of the agenda | ECE/TRANS/SC.1/AC.6/5 |
| 2. Election of Chairperson | |
| 3. Status of accession to the AETR | TRANS/SC.1/375 and Add.1 |

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and prior amendments

4. Relevant decisions of the Working Party on Road Transport (SC.1) and the Inland Transport Committee (ITC) ECE/TRANS/SC.1/377
ECE/TRANS/166
5. Digital tachograph seminar
Moscow, 2-3 March 2006
6. Information from the European Commission
on new rules regarding driving hours, rest periods
and enforcement
7. Consideration of proposed amendments to the AETR ECE/TRANS/SC.1/AC.6/2006/1
ECE/TRANS/SC.1/AC.6/2006/2
8. Other issues
9. Report of the Ad hoc Working Group

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. Adoption of the agenda

Documentation: ECE/TRANS/SC.1/AC.6/5.

The first item on the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda.

2. Election of Chairperson

The Working Group of Experts will elect a Chairperson for its third session.

3. Status of accession to the AETR and prior amendments

The Working Group of Experts will be informed about the countries, which have recently acceded to the AETR.

The Working Group of Experts will also be informed about the status of the proposed amendments to the AETR introducing the digital tachograph adopted by SC.1 at its 98th session (October 2004).

4. Relevant decisions of the Working Party on Road Transport (SC.1) and the Inland Transport Committee (ITC)

Documentation: TRANS/SC.1/377; ECE/TRANS/166

The Working Group of Experts will be informed about the decisions of the 99th (October 2005) session of the Working Party on Road Transport (SC.1) which relate to the AETR as well as the decisions of the 68th session of the Inland Transport Committee (7-9 February 2006).

5. Digital tachograph seminar, Moscow, 2-3 March 2006

The secretariat will provide information on the Digital Tachograph Seminar organized in cooperation with the Ministry of Transport of the Russian Federation in Moscow on 2-3 March 2006.

6. Information from the European Commission on new rules regarding driving hours, rest periods and enforcement

A representative of the European Commission will introduce the new rules adopted in the European Union concerning driving hours and rest periods and their enforcement. The representative will also give information about their publication and entry into force and will inform the Working Group about the request made in the Regulation that the same rules be incorporated without delay into the AETR.

7. Consideration of proposed amendments to the AETR

Documentation: ECE/TRANS/SC.1/AC.6/2006/1, ECE/TRANS/SC.1/AC.6/2006/2

On the basis of the request made in Article 2.4 of the new EU Regulation, which was supported by the Inland Transport Committee at its 68th session, the secretariat, in cooperation with the European Commission, has prepared amendment proposals to the AETR, which seek to align it with the new Regulation adopted by the European Union which will be published in the Official Journal before May 2006. These appear in ECE/TRANS/SC.1/AC.6/2006/1 under the form of a comparison table.

In addition, the Working Group of Experts is invited to consider a proposal by the secretariat to open the AETR to States outside the UNECE region. The proposal is contained in ECE/TRANS/SC.1/AC.6/2006/2.

8. Other issues

The Working Group of Experts may discuss any other relevant issues under this item.

9. Report of the meeting

The report of the Working Group of Experts will be prepared by the secretariat after the session. The final text of proposed amendments to the AETR will be annexed to it for consideration and adoption by the 100th session of SC.1 (17-19 October 2006).



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