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**EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AMONG PARTIES UNDER ARTICLE 6 OF ATP**

Note by the secretariat

As requested by the Working Party the secretariat to circulated the questionnaire on the exchange of information among Contracting Parties under article 6 of ATP in an official letter. The secretariat reproduces below replies from Albania, Czech Republic, Finland, Ireland and Lithuania.

A. ALBANIA

**Questionnaire on exchange of information between  
contracting parties under article 6 of ATP**

**1.1 Exchange of information between ATP member States (article 6 (1) of the ATP Agreement)**

Member State: ALABANIA

Competent authority: Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Telecommunication

Contact person: Kujtim Hashorva, Edmond Kazazi

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<b>Who carries out the measures? How often?</b>	<b>What is checked?</b>	<b>Consequences in the case of non-compliance with article 4 (1) of ATP</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* traffic police frequency<sup>1</sup> _3_</li> <li>* road/rail control authority frequency<sup>1</sup> _3_</li> <li>* customs authority frequency<sup>1</sup> _5</li> <li>* authority for the inspection of foodstuffs frequency<sup>1</sup> _5</li> <li>* others               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* .....</li> <li>* .....</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Validity of the ATP certificate (Certification plate)</li> <li>* Validity of the distinguishing mark</li> <li>* Damage to the transport equipment</li> <li>* Inspection of the suitability of the transport equipment for the goods to be carried</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Rejection by the control authority</li> <li>* Note in the freight documents and continuation of journey</li> <li>* Report to a competent health authority Ministry of Food and Agriculture, Directorate of Food Safety and Consumer Protection</li> <li>* Inspection of the foodstuffs * Release/seizure/rejection</li> <li>* Fine for an administrative offence</li> <li>* Amount of the fine about up to 500 000 leke</li> <li>* Information from the country of registration (article 6 (2) of ATP)</li> <li>* Other measures .....</li> <li>.....</li> </ul>
Remarks/amendments:		
<p><sup>1</sup> Distribution of frequency from 1 = rarely to 5 = regularly.  <sup>2</sup> Please indicate range of the amount of the fine in the national currency.</p>		

**1.2 Statistics on checks for compliance with the ATP Agreement in the year ...<sup>1</sup> (optional)**

Number of checks under article 6 of ATP	road/railway checks ..... border checks ..... checks during loading and unloading (by official veterinary authorities) ..... .....
Number of detected breaches of ATP <sup>2</sup>  <p style="text-align: center;"><u>including:</u></p>	(total): ..... domestically registered vehicles ..... vehicles registered in foreign countries .....
The highest percentage of defective vehicles was ..... %	The vehicles were from ..... (name of country of registration)
Remarks/amendments: .....	
<p><sup>1</sup> Please indicate the year of the data.</p> <p><sup>2</sup> Without differentiation as to whether the checks were made on roads, at borders or during loading and unloading.</p>	

B. CZECH REPUBLIC

1.1 Exchange of information between ATP member States (article 6 (1) of the ATP Agreement)

Member State: Czech Republic

Competent authority: Ministry of Transport Czech republic

Contact person: Lubos Rajdl

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Who carries out the measures? How often?	What is checked?	Consequences in the case of non-compliance with article 4 (1) of ATP
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> traffic police frequency<sup>1</sup> _1_2_3_4_5</li> <li>* road/rail control authority frequency<sup>1</sup> _1_2_3_4_5</li> <li>* customs authority frequency<sup>1</sup> _1_2_3_4_5</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> authority for the inspection of foodstuffs frequency<sup>1</sup> _1_2_3_4_5</li> <li>* others</li> <li>* .....</li> <li>* .....</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Validity of the ATP certificate (Certification plate)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Validity of the distinguishing mark</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Damage to the transport equipment</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Inspection of the suitability of the transport equipment for the goods to be carried</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Rejection by the control authority</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Note in the freight documents and continuation of journey</li> <li>* Report to a competent health authority (Designation of the authority ...)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Inspection of the foodstuffs</li> <li>* Release/seizure/rejection</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Fine for an administrative offence</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Amount of the fine about ...up to 1million CZK..<sup>2</sup></li> <li>* Information from the country of registration (article 6 (2) of ATP)</li> <li>* Other measures .....</li> <li>.....</li> </ul>
<p>Remarks/amendments: authority for the inspection of foodstuffs = <b>For Czech republic - State agriculture and food inspection authority</b></p>		
<p><sup>1</sup> Distribution of frequency from 1 = rarely to 5 = regularly. <sup>2</sup> Please indicate range of the amount of the fine in the national currency.</p>		

**1.2 Statistics on checks for compliance with the ATP Agreement in the year 2004 (optional)**

Number of checks under article 6 of ATP	road/railway checks ..... border checks ..... checks during loading and unloading (by official veterinary authorities) ... <b>8802</b> in manufacture, <b>1611</b> in storehouse and <b>126</b> on other places .....
Number of detected breaches of ATP2  including:	(total): ... <b>sorry, we have not this data</b> ..... domestically registered vehicles ..... vehicles registered in foreign countries .....
The highest percentage of defective vehicles was ..... %	The vehicles were from ..... (name of country of registration)
Remarks/amendments: .....	
<sup>1</sup> Please indicate the year of the data. <sup>2</sup> Without differentiation as to whether the checks were made on roads, at borders or during loading and unloading.	

C. FINLAND

**1.1 Exchange of information between ATP member States (article 6 (1) of the ATP Agreement)**

Member State: Finland

Competent authority: Finnish Food Safety Authority Evira

Contact person: Mikko Maunu

Tel./Fax: 358 20 7724 244 / 358 20 7724 353

Who carries out the measures? How often?	What is checked?	Consequences in the case of non-compliance with article 4 (1) of ATP
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* traffic police frequency<sup>1</sup> _1_2_3_4_5</li> <li>-----</li> <li>* customs authority frequency<sup>1</sup> _1_2_3_4_5</li> <li>-----</li> <li>* authority for the inspection of foodstuffs frequency<sup>1</sup> _1_2_3_4_5</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Validity of the ATP Certificate (certification plate)</li> <li>* Validity of the distinguishing mark</li> <li>-----</li> <li>* Validity of the ATP Certificate (certification plate)</li> <li>* Validity of the distinguishing mark</li> <li>-----</li> <li>* Validity of the ATP Certificate (certification plate)</li> <li>* Validity of the distinguishing mark</li> <li>* Inspection of the suitability of the transport equipment for the goods to be carried</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Note in the freight documents and continuation of journey</li> <li>* Report to a competent health authority (Finnish Food Safety Authority Evira)</li> <li>-----</li> <li>* Note in the freight documents and continuation of journey</li> <li>* Report to a competent health authority (National Food Agency)</li> <li>-----</li> <li>* Inspection of the foodstuffs</li> <li>-----</li> <li>* Note in the freight documents and continuation of journey</li> <li>* Report to a competent health authority (National Food Agency)</li> <li>* Inspection of the foodstuffs</li> </ul>
Remarks/amendments:		
<p><sup>1</sup> Distribution of frequency from 1 = rarely to 5 = regularly.  <sup>2</sup> Please indicate range of the amount of the fine in the national currency.</p>		

## 1.2 Statistics on checks for compliance with the ATP Agreement in the year 2005-3/2006 (optional)

Number of checks under article 6 of ATP	<b>road checks</b> about 100  <b>border checks</b> total 26  <b>checks during loading and unloading (by official veterinary authorities)</b> total 205
Number of detected breaches of ATP <sup>2</sup>  <u>including:</u>	<b>(total):</b> 331 <b>domestically registered vehicles</b> 331 <b>vehicles registered in foreign countries</b> 0
The highest percentage of defective vehicles was 100 %	The vehicles were from Finland (name of country of registration)
Remarks/amendments:	
<sup>1</sup> Please indicate the year of the data.	
<sup>2</sup> Without differentiation as to whether the checks were made on roads, at borders or during loading and unloading.	

#### D. IRELAND

The questionnaire seeks reports on ATP checks carried out on food transport vehicles. In Ireland checks on such vehicles are carried out under the Hygiene Regulations at such establishments as meat plants and cold stores, rather than under the ATP legislation. There are therefore no specific ATP checks to report to Geneva. This is the position also taken by the UK and certain other countries. Ireland has put arrangements in place to meet its obligations under the Agreement in relation to ATP approvals of units and the Department of Agriculture and Food has entered into an agreement with the main vehicle testing station in the UK in Cambridge to provide testing facilities when required.

E. LITHUANIA

**1.1 Exchange of information between ATP member States (article 6 (1) of the ATP Agreement)**

Member State: The Republic of Lithuania

Competent authority: State Road Transport Inspectorate under the Ministry of Transport and Communications

Contact person: Eirimas Pakalnis

Tel./Fax: 370 5 278 56 27 / 370 5 213 22 70

<b>Who carries out the measures? How often?</b>	<b>What is checked?</b>	<b>Consequences in the case of non-compliance with article 4 (1) of ATP</b>
State Road Transport Inspectorate under the Ministry of Transport and Communications - 3	Validity of the ATP certificate (Certification plate)  Validity of the distinguishing mark  Damage to the transport equipment  Inspection of the suitability of the transport equipment for the goods to be carried	Note in the freight documents and continuation of journey  Report to a competent health authority – State Food and Veterinary Service  Fine for an administrative offence  Amount of the fine about 50 Lt  Information from the country of registration (article 6 (2) of ATP)
Remarks/amendments:		

**1.2 Statistics on cheks for compliance with the ATP Agreement in the year 2005 (optional)}**

Number of checks under article 6 of ATP	road checks 208  border checks 512
Number of detected breaches of ATP <sup>2</sup>  <u>including:</u>	(total): 72  domestically registered vehicles 24  vehicles registered in foreign countries 48
The biggest number of defective vehicles were from Russian Federation – 38 units	
Remarks/amendments: .....	

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