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of the European Agreement on the Work of Crews
of Vehicles engaged in International Road Transport (AETR)

Fourth session
Geneva, 14-16 May 2007

**ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE FOURTH SESSION OF THE
AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON THE REVISION OF THE AETR^{1, 2}**

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva
starting at 10:00 a.m. on Monday 14 May 2007

I. PROVISIONAL AGENDA

¹ For reasons of economy, delegates are requested to bring copies of all relevant documents to the session. There will be no documentation available in the conference room. Before the session, documents may be downloaded from the UNECE Transport Division's website (<http://www.unece.org/trans/main/sc1/sc1aetrage.html>). On an exceptional basis, documents may also be obtained by email (roadtransport@unece.org) or by fax (41 22 917 0039). During the session, official documents may be obtained from the UNOG Documents Distribution Section (Room C.337, third floor, Palais des Nations).

² Delegates are requested to complete the registration form available for download at the UNECE Transport Division's website (<http://www.unece.org/trans/registfr.html>). It should be transmitted to the UNECE secretariat no later than one week prior to the session by email (roadtransport@unece.org) or by fax (41 22 917 0039). Upon arrival at the Palais des Nations, delegates should obtain an identification badge at the UNOG Security and Safety Section, located at the Pregny Gate (14, Avenue de la Paix). In case of difficulty, please contact the secretariat by telephone (ext.75716 or 72401). For a map of the Palais des Nations and other useful information, see website <http://www.unece.org/meetings/practical.htm>.

Monday 14 May

Workshop on the introduction of the digital tachograph³

15-16 May

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II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

15-16 May

Item 1 Adoption of the agenda

Documentation: ECE/TRANS/SC.1/AC.6/7

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

Item 2 Status of accessions to the AETR

Documentation: TRANS/SC.1/375 and Add.1 and ECE/TRANS/SC.1/2006/2

2. The Ad hoc Working Group will be informed about the countries that have recently acceded to the AETR.

³ The programme of the Workshop appears in the Annex to this agenda.

Item 3. Relevant decisions of the Working Party on Road Transport (SC.1) and the Inland Transport Committee (ITC)

Documentation: ECE/TRANS/SC.1/379; ECE/TRANS/192

3. The Ad hoc Working Group will be informed about the decisions of the 100th (October 2006) session of the Working Party on Road Transport (SC.1) which relate to the AETR as well as the decisions of the 69th session of the Inland Transport Committee (6-8 February 2007).

Item 4. Consideration of proposed amendments to the AETR

Documentation: ECE/TRANS/SC.1/AC.6/2007/1, ECE/TRANS/SC.1/AC.6/2006/1/Rev.1, ECE/TRANS/SC.1/AC.6/6

4. At its 100th session, SC.1 held a general exchange of views on the new proposed amendments to the AETR on driving and rest times and on strengthening compliance with these rules, in particular on the main points of disagreement raised by the third session of the Ad hoc Working Group in May 2006 (ECE/TRANS/SC.1/AC.6/6), specifically the 45 hours of rest to be taken every two weeks and the extraterritoriality of penalties for transport undertakings.

5. In view of the difficulties, SC.1 requested the Ad hoc Working Group to reconvene, stipulating that, in order for such a meeting to be productive, constructive proposals should be drafted in advance. An informal meeting supported by the International Road Transport Union (IRU) was held in January 2007 in Brussels to identify solutions to the outstanding questions on the basis of the text contained in ECE/TRANS/SC.1/AC.6/2006/1/Rev.1. However, although some progress was made, consensus was not reached on the main points of disagreement.

6. The purpose of the fourth meeting of the Ad hoc Working Group, is, therefore, to review all the provisions of the AETR which have to be amended and to search for consensus on the points of disagreement in order to present a final text for adoption at the 101st session of SC.1. Concerning these points, the European Commission has submitted proposals which are contained in document ECE/TRANS/SC.1/AC.6/2007/1.

Item 5. Other issues

7. The Ad hoc Working Group may discuss any other relevant issues under this item.

Item 6. Report of the meeting

8. The report of the Ad hoc Working Group will be prepared by the secretariat after the session. The final text of the proposed amendments to the AETR will be annexed to it for consideration and adoption by the 101st session of SC.1 (16-18 October 2007).

Annex

Provisional Programme of the
Workshop on the Introduction of the Digital Tachograph
Palais des Nations, Geneva, 14 May 2007

The objective of the Workshop is to explain in detail the various technical procedures and processes which non-EU AETR Contracting Parties will have to fulfill in order to introduce within the deadline the digital tachograph system in their territory. These different aspects are also raised in documents ECE/TRANS/SC.1/2006/8 and ECE/TRANS/SC.1/2006/9.

- 1 - Introduction by the AETR/UNECE Secretariat and the European Commission
- 2 - Type approval (of both digital tachograph and tachograph cards)
- 3 - Security policy
- 4 - Workshop approval
- 5 - Issuing of tachograph cards
- 6 - Enforcement (roadside and company checks)
- 7 - Data protection
- 8 - Risk management
- 9 - Conclusion
