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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

Provisional agenda for the session

Addendum

Annotations

1. Adoption of the agenda

1. In accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, the first item on the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda.

2. Activities of ECE bodies of interest to the Working Party

(a) Inland Transport Committee

2. The Working Party will be informed about the results of the seventy-third session of the Inland Transport Committee (ITC) (1-3 March 2011) as reflected in its report (ECE/TRANS/221). The ITC adopted the reports of its subsidiary bodies (ECE/TRANS/221, para. 95).

3. The UNECE has suffered a budget cut in 2011. This has led to a freeze of some currently vacant posts and some posts that will fall vacant in the next biennium 2012-2013, combined with cuts in non-post areas such as consultancies, publications, supplies etc.

4. In addition, later this year, a review will be undertaken of UNECE work programmes, activities, budgets as well as the relevance and value added of different UNECE activities.

(b) Working Party on Agricultural Quality Standards

5. The Working Party will be informed about the recent activities of the Working Party on Agricultural Quality Standards (WP.7).

3. Activities of other international organizations dealing with issues of interest to the Working Party

(a) International Institute of Refrigeration (IIR)

6. The Working Party will be informed about the results of the meeting of the IIR sub-commission on refrigerated transport held in Bordeaux on 12-13 May 2011 and the twenty-third International Congress of Refrigeration: Refrigeration for Sustainable Development, held in Prague from 21-26 August 2011.

(b) Transfrigoroute International

7. The representative of Transfrigoroute International is invited to present the recent activities of his organization.

(c) European Committee for Standardization (CEN)

8. The representative of CEN will inform the Working Party about a draft standard on "Testing methodologies of cooling equipment for insulated means of transportation".

4. Status and implementation of the Agreement on the International Carriage of Perishable Foodstuffs and on the Special Equipment to be Used for such Carriage (ATP)

(a) Status of application of the Agreement

9. The number of Contracting Parties to ATP (45) is the same as at the sixty-sixth session in 2010.

(b) Status of amendments

10. The revised Annex 1 to the ATP adopted at the sixty-fourth session of WP.11 in 2008 (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/218 and Add.1) entered into force on 2 January 2011.

11. Proposed amendments to the ATP adopted at the sixty-sixth session of WP.11 in 2010 (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/222, Annex I) were notified to ATP Contracting Parties by the United Nations Treaty Section on 11 February 2011 (C.N.67.2011.TREATIES-1). On 26 July 2011, the Government of Germany, in accordance with Article 18 (2) (b) of the ATP, informed the Secretary-General that although it intended to accept the proposals, the conditions for such acceptance were not yet fulfilled (C.N.493.2011.TREATIES-2). Consequently, the amendments would be deemed accepted only if, before the expiry of a period of nine months following the initial notification period of six months (i.e. before 11 May 2012), the Government of Germany did not notify an objection to the proposed amendments.

(c) Test stations officially designated by the competent authorities of countries Parties to ATP

12. The current list of test stations appears at the following web link: <http://www.unece.org/trans/main/wp11/teststations.pdf>. Contracting Parties were invited to check the information and to transmit corrections or new information to the secretariat. New or revised information was received from Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Norway, Serbia, Ukraine and United Kingdom. All ATP

Contracting Parties are also requested to send the address and contact information of their competent authority for ATP matters, if it does not already appear in the list.

- (d) Exchange of information among Parties under Article 6 of ATP

13. At its sixty-sixth session in 2010, WP.11 reminded countries of their obligation to respond to the questionnaire. The secretariat requested all countries to reply to the questionnaire on the implementation of ATP with their 2010 data. The data received are presented in ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2011/6. The secretariat also proposes that the Working Party discuss measures which could be taken to ensure observance of the provisions of the Agreement in accordance with Article 6.

5. Proposals of amendments to the ATP

- (a) Pending proposals

Sea crossings and inland waterways

14. At its sixty-sixth session, WP.11 invited Finland to work on a revised proposal for the sixty-seventh session taking into consideration all comments made by delegates and particularly the request for more hard evidence and data as justification. The revised proposal transmitted by Finland is in document ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2011/2.

Reorganization of annex 1, appendix 1

15. The Netherlands has requested that document ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2010/7 regarding the reorganization of annex 1, appendix 1 be kept on the agenda for the current session and intends to submit a proposal in an Informal document.

Acceptable changes to insulated equipment

16. The Working Party may wish to consider the proposals made by France (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2011/5) and Germany (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2011/8) on accounting for internal fittings of insulated equipment.

K coefficient of equipment in service

17. The Working Party may wish to consider the proposal made by Germany regarding K coefficients for equipment in service (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2011/9).

6- and 9-year ATP tests for non-autonomous equipment

18. The Working Party is invited to consider the revised proposal by France regarding 6- and 9-year ATP tests for non-autonomous mechanically refrigerated equipment (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2011/16).

Multi-compartment multi-temperature vehicles

19. The Working Party is invited to consider the proposal made by Germany regarding testing for multi-compartment multi-temperature vehicles (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2011/10)

- (b) New proposals

Correction of the Agreement

20. The Working Party may wish to consider the proposal made by the Slovak Republic to correct a paragraph number cited in article 2 of the ATP (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2011/4) and the

note by the secretariat suggesting other possible ways of dealing with the correction (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2011/13).

ATP certificate for small containers

21. The Working Party is invited to consider proposals by France (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2011/7) and Germany (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2011/14) regarding the issuance of a single ATP certificate for batches of small identical containers with an internal volume of less than 2m³.

External surface area measurement of panel vans

22. The WP.11 may wish to consider the proposal by the United Kingdom to add text to annex 1, appendix 2, paragraph 1.2 aimed at harmonizing the measurement of the external surface area of panel vans (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2011/12).

Measuring the refrigerating capacity of systems using liquefied gas

23. The WP.11 is invited to consider the proposal by France on measuring the effective refrigerating capacity of systems using liquefied gas (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2011/15).

Correction of the model certificate of compliance

24. The Working Party may wish to consider the correction to the model certificate of compliance (annex 1, appendix 3) proposed by Portugal (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2011/11).

Placement of temperature measurement and recording equipment

25. At its sixty-sixth session, WP.11 invited the Russian Federation to submit a proposal for a modification to Annex 3 regarding the placement of temperature measurement and recording equipment. The proposal has not yet been received.

6. ATP Handbook

26. The latest version of the ATP Handbook appears on the Transport Division website in English, French and Russian at the following link: http://live.unece.org/trans/main/wp11/atp_handbook.html

27. The WP.11 may wish to consider the proposal made by Portugal to correct the model certificate of compliance in the ATP Handbook (annex 1, appendix 3) (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2011/11).

7. Scope of ATP

28. At its sixty-sixth session, the Russian Federation was invited to continue its work on developing a proposal on extending the scope of the ATP to fruit and vegetables with the aim of submitting a proposal to the sixty-seventh session. The proposal has not yet been received.

8. Energy labelling, refrigerants and blowing agents

29. A joint IIR/UNECE workshop on "Refrigerated Transport and Sustainability: the Environmental Challenges Facing Refrigerated Transport" is scheduled to be held in Prague

on 26 August 2011 in the framework of the 23rd IIR International Congress of Refrigeration: Refrigeration for Sustainable Development.

30. The WP.11 may wish to discuss the development of a programme of work on environmental aspects of refrigerated transport.

9. Programme of work and biennial evaluation

31. The Working Party is invited to discuss and adopt its programme of work for 2012-2013 (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2011/1) and the biennial evaluation of its work presented in ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2011/3.

10. Election of officers

32. The Working Party is expected to elect a Chairman and Vice-Chairman for its sixty-eighth session in 2012.

11. Other business

33. The Working Party may wish to consider any other business under this item.

(a) Dates of the sixty-eighth session

34. The dates of 22-25 October 2012 (Monday to Thursday) have been tentatively reserved for the sixty-eighth session of WP.11.

12. Adoption of the report

35. The Working Party is expected to adopt the report on its sixty-seventh session based on a draft prepared by the secretariat.
