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Seventh session

Geneva, 28 February 2014

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the Agenda

Annotated provisional agenda for the seventh session^{1, 2}

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 9.30 a.m. on Friday, 28 February 2014

I. Provisional Agenda

1. Adoption of the Agenda.
2. Programme of Work:

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 (www.unece.org/trans/main/sc1/sc1.html). On an exceptional basis, documents may also be obtained by e-mail (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).

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- (a) Development of proposals for amending the AETR Agreement, including Article 22bis;
 - (b) Application of Regulation (EC) No. 561/2006 in the “AETR area”;
 - (c) Exchange of information on issuing digital tachograph cards.
- 3. Other business.
 - 4. Date and place of next meeting.

II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the Agenda

The Group of Experts will be invited to adopt the session’s agenda.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/17

2. Programme of Work

(a) Development of proposals for amending the AETR Agreement, including Article 22bis

Experts will continue to discuss, with a view towards finalizing, the proposed changes to Article 22bis, in particular the text of paragraphs 6, 8 and 9 which are yet to be agreed upon, based on the consolidated proposal contained in the Annex of ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/16.

The Group of Experts may also wish to discuss the current wording of Article 14 which limits accession to the AETR to UNECE member States.

(b) Application of Regulation (EC) No. 561/2006 in the “AETR area”

At the request of the Russian Federation, the experts will continue to discuss the application of Regulation (EC) No. 561/2006 in the “AETR area” given that the objective of amending the AETR Agreement in 2006 was to harmonize the two driving times and rest periods regimes. In particular, following the Chair’s invitation made at the last session, the EU will be encouraged to provide further explanation.

(c) Exchange of information on issuing digital tachograph cards

At the sixth session, the experts agreed to support the amendment proposal to introduce new Article 10bis (contained in the Annex of ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/16). In this session, the experts may wish to consider the appropriate next steps on how to take the proposal forward.

4. Other business

The Group of Experts may wish to discuss other business.

5. Date and place of next meeting

The Group of Experts will decide on the date of its next meeting, tentatively scheduled by the secretariat for 2 July 2014 (Wednesday) in Geneva.
