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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

In accordance with WP.11's rules of procedure, the first item on the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda.

2. Round table discussion on ways of improving the functioning of the Working Party

Proposals for the development of ATP

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by Russian Federation (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/4).

Round table discussion for the further improvement of WP.11

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal transmitted by the Chair of the informal working group for the improvement of the methods of work of WP.11 (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/17).

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

(a) Inland Transport Committee

The Working Party will be informed about the results of the eightieth session of the Inland Transport Committee (ITC), (20-23 February 2018) as reflected in its report (ECE/TRANS/274, paragraphs 104-108).

The ITC adopted the reports of its subsidiary bodies (ECE/TRANS/274, para. 118).

The Committee **noted** that WP.11 had agreed to extend the 2018 session to five days, and to hold a round table meeting on Monday, 8 October 2018 to discuss ways of improving the work of WP.11, including, among others, the subject of an amendment to the one single objection rule in article 18, paragraph 4 of ATP and the scope of ATP. An informal working group organized by the representative of Luxembourg, was mandated to draft background papers to facilitate discussions during the round table. It was also decided to extend the cycle of amendments to two years to facilitate negotiations among contracting parties and consultations with national experts, with the aim of increasing the number of adopted draft amendments.

The Committee **noted** that, to improve its method of work, WP.11 had decided to change Rule 35 of the Rules of Procedure of WP.11 to reflect the option of adopting proposals of amendments to the ATP and amendments to the ATP Handbook by consensus. In addition, the unanimity rule for adopting proposals of amendments to the ATP had been changed in favour of a majority rule, given that not more than three contracting parties opposed the proposed amendment.

The secretariat **informed** the Committee about the procedure to follow to change Rule 35 of the Rules of Procedure and stressed that it was done in accordance with the rules. However, it was agreed that it was preferable to ask the Working Party at the next session to confirm the decision taken at its seventy-third session, on the basis of a working document.

The Committee **endorsed** the decision to extend the 2018 session of WP.11 to five days; **welcomed** the WP.11 ongoing process to improve its method of work (a matter that on numerous occasions in the past had complicated the ability to keep pace with technological advancement) and **noted** the proposed changes to the Rules of procedure as reflected in ECE/TRANS/WP.11/237. The Russian Federation **requested** that this issue be further discussed at WP.11.

The Working Party may wish to consider document ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/2 by the secretariat with the outcome of the eightieth session of the Inland Transport Committee on the work of the Working Party

(b) Working Party on Agricultural Quality Standards

The activities of the Working Party on Agricultural Quality Standards (WP.7) of interest to WP.11 are:

- Workshop “Quality matters – sustainable trade of fruits, vegetables and nuts” 11-13 September 2018, Tashkent, Uzbekistan
- Seventy-fourth session of the Working Party on Agricultural Quality Standards (WP.7), 12-14 November 2018, Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland.

For more information on these and other activities, please visit WP.7 website at <http://www.unece.org/trade/agr/welcome.html>.

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

(a) International Institute of Refrigeration (IIR)

The Working Party will be informed about the results of the meeting of the IIR sub-commission on refrigerated transport held in Munich, Germany 18-19 April 2018 (informal document INF.2).

(b) Transfrigoroute International

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

(c) Standardization organizations

Delegations participating in the work of CEN are invited to inform the Working Party about progress on the development of standards dealing with transport under controlled temperatures and what impact these standards are expected to have on the ATP.

5. 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

There have been no new accessions to ATP since the last session and the number of Contracting Parties remains at 50.

(b) Status of amendments

Proposed amendments to the ATP adopted by WP.11 at its seventy-second session in 2016, and contained in Annex I to the report of that session (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/235), (depository notification C.N.58.2017.TREATIES-XI.B.22), are deemed accepted as of 8 May 2018 (depository notification C.N.244.2018.TREATIES-XI.B.22), for entry into force on 8 November 2018.

Proposed corrections to the ATP adopted at the seventy-third session of WP.11 in 2017 (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/237, Annex II) were notified to ATP Contracting Parties by the United Nations Treaty Section on 6 February 2018 (C.N.70.2018.TREATIES-XI.B.22). Corrections were deemed accepted on 7 May 2018 (C.N.240.2018.TREATIES-XI.B.22).

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

The current list of officially designated test stations appears at the following web link: <http://www.unece.org/trans/main/wp11/teststationsnew.html>.

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

At the last session, the WP.11 thanked the 23 countries that had provided data in response to the questionnaire on the implementation of ATP in 2016 and stressed that it was mandatory to have information from all ATP contracting parties and that it was a means of harmonizing implementation of the agreement. The information received for the year 2017 is presented in ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/1. Countries were also asked to respond to

additional questions regarding implementation of the ATP, answers received by the secretariat are included in the annexes to document ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/1.

At the request of the Working Party at its seventy-third session, the secretariat sent a letter to all contracting parties requesting them to fulfil their obligation under article 6 of ATP of replying to the annual questionnaire and to update the contact information for competent authorities and test stations. All the information received by the secretariat is included in the list of competent authorities and officially designated test stations at <http://www.unece.org/trans/main/wp11/teststationsnew.html>.

(e) Exchange of good practices for better implementation of ATP

The Working Party may wish to consider any information or question regarding good practices raised under this item.

(f) Interpretation of ATP

Explanations regarding the procedure for checking the refrigerated equipment in service, manufactured after 2 January 2012

Proposed amendment to Annex 1, Appendix 2, paragraph 6.5: Cool down test, measuring the outside temperature

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by Finland (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/15).

Explanations regarding the procedure for checking the refrigerated equipment in service, manufactured after January 2, 2012

The Working Party may wish to consider the questions of interpretation submitted by the Russian Federation (informal document INF.3).

6. Proposals of amendments to ATP

(a) Pending proposals

Additions to Appendix 1 to Annex 2 to the ATP with regard to references to the national standards of the Russian Federation along with references to European regional standards

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the Russian Federation (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/3).

Amendments to Annex 1, Appendix 2, paragraph 3.2.6 and to Annex 1, Appendix 3

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the United Kingdom (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/5).

Clarification in ATP regarding the overall coefficient of heat transfer of the bodies of special equipment (the K coefficient), replacing the margin of error with uncertainty, and in the ATP Handbook, regarding the recommended methods to find the uncertainty of measurement of the K coefficient

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the Russian Federation (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/20).

Amendments and additions to the definitions proposed in document ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2015/17 for inclusion in annex I to the Agreement

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the Russian Federation (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/21).

Amendments to annex 1, appendix 2, of ATP on accounting for errors (uncertainty) in measuring the overall heat transfer coefficient of the body in determining the category of special transport equipment and correction of a typo in the Russian version of 2.3.1 of ATP annex 1, appendix 2

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the Russian Federation (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/22).

Changes in the models of reports on the measurement of the K coefficient in connection with the need to take account of the power of the fans used in thermal tests to provide for the circulation of air that turns into heat inside the body of special transport equipment

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the Russian Federation (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/23).

Amendments to article 3, paragraph 1, ATP

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the Russian Federation (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/24).

Editorial correction of an error in the Russian translation of ATP

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the Russian Federation (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/25).

Proposal of amendment to ATP to assign, at the stage of approving new equipment, a class to insulated equipment, refrigerated equipment, heated equipment and refrigerated and heated equipment.

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the Russian Federation (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/26).

(b) New proposals**Additions to Appendix 1 to Annex 2 to the ATP with regard to references to national standards of the Russian Federation along with references to European regional standards**

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the Russian Federation (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/3).

Annex 1, Appendix 2, paragraph 1.2

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by Germany and United Kingdom (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/7).

Incorporation of a new subtitle

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by Spain (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/8).

Proposal of amendment to ATP to introduce special provisions applicable to packages and vehicles and containers containing substances presenting a risk of asphyxiation when used for cooling or conditioning purposes (such as dry ice (UN 1845) or nitrogen, refrigerated liquid (UN 1977) or argon, refrigerated liquid (UN 1951))

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by Switzerland (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/9).

Proposal to amend Annex 1, Appendix 2, paragraph 6: Replacing existing refrigerants with new refrigerants with a lower GWP

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by Germany (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/10).

Proposal to amend Annex 1, Appendix 2, paragraph 3.4: Measuring the effective heating capacity

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by Germany (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/11).

Proposal to amend Annex 1, Appendix 2, paragraph 4.3.4 (ii): Standards for the measurement of air circulation

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by Germany (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/12).

Proposal to amend Model No. 12, Annex 1, Appendix 2: Validity of test reports for mechanical refrigeration units

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by Germany (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/13).

Proposal to amend Annex 1, Appendix 2, paragraph 4.2.1: Specification of Calorimeter Box

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by Germany (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/14).

Editorial correction of an error in the English version of ATP

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by Italy (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/16).

Amendment to Model 12 Test Report

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the United Kingdom (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/18).

Correction to ATP

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the secretariat (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/19).

7. ATP Handbook

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

ATP Handbook: Annex 1, Appendix 2, paragraph 1.2

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the United Kingdom (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/6).

Clarification in ATP regarding the overall coefficient of heat transfer of the bodies of special equipment (the K coefficient), replacing the margin of error with uncertainty, and in the ATP Handbook, regarding the recommended methods to find the uncertainty of measurement of the K coefficient

The Working Party may wish to discuss the proposal by the Russian Federation (ECE/TRANS/WP.11/2018/20).

8. Scope of ATP

The WP.11 may wish to discuss any developments related to the scope of ATP that have a bearing on its work.

The road map for accession to and implementation of the ATP prepared by the EuroMed road, rail and urban transport project with inputs from the secretariat and the chairs of WP.11 has been published and can be found at the UNECE website:
<http://www.unece.org/trans/areas-of-work/transport-of-perishable-foodstuffs/road-map-for-accession-and-implementation-of-atp.html>.

9. Energy labelling, refrigerants and blowing agents

The WP.11 may wish to discuss any developments in the field of energy labelling, refrigerants and blowing agents that have a bearing on its work.

10. Programme of work and biennial evaluation

The Working Party will discuss this issue at its session in 2019 but is reminded that its adopted programme of work for 2018-2019 and biennial evaluation appear in annexes IV and V of ECE/TRANS/WP.11/237.

11. Election of officers

The WP.11 is expected to elect a Chairman and Vice-Chairman for its seventy-fifth session in 2019.

12. Other business

The WP.11 may wish to consider any other business under this item.

Dates of the seventy-fifth session

The dates of 8-11 October 2019 (Tuesday to Friday) have been reserved for the seventy-fifth session of WP.11.

13. Adoption of the report

The WP.11 is expected to adopt the report on its seventy-fourth session based on a draft prepared by the secretariat.
