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**Administrative Committee of the
European Agreement concerning the
International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by
Inland Waterways (ADN)**

**Twenty-fifth session**

Geneva, 28 August 2020
Item 1 of the provisional agenda

**Adoption of the agenda**

 Provisional agenda for the twenty-fifth session

 Addendum[[1]](#footnote-2)\*

 Annotations to the agenda

 1. Adoption of the agenda

The Administrative Committee may wish to consider and adopt the agenda for its twenty-fifth session drawn up by the secretariat and issued under the symbol ECE/ADN/55 and Add.1.

 2. Status of the European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways (ADN)

Eighteen States are Contracting Parties to ADN: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Hungary, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Poland, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia, Slovakia, Switzerland and Ukraine.

 3. Matters relating to the implementation of ADN

 (a) Classification societies

Information on the recognition of classification societies that has been received from Contracting Parties since the last session of the Administrative Committee will be presented as informal document INF.1.

 (b) Special authorizations, derogations and equivalents;

Any proposals for special authorizations or derogations received by the secretariat after the issuance of the present annotated agenda will be transmitted to the Administrative Committee in informal documents.

 (c) Miscellaneous notifications

Examination statistics were provided by the Government of Romania (see informal document INF.2). Countries are reminded to send the secretariat their model expert certificates and ADN examination statistics if they have not already done so.

Information on recognized inspection bodies that has been received from Contracting Parties since the last session of the Administrative Committee will be presented as informal document INF.3.

The secretariat will make available any other information received from Contracting Parties after the issuance of the present annotated agenda.

 (d) Other matters

The Administrative Committee may wish to consider any other matters related to the implementation of the ADN.

 4. Work of the Safety Committee

The Administrative Committee is expected to consider the work of the Safety Committee on its thirty-seventh session (24 to 28 August 2020) on the basis of its draft report and to adopt all proposed corrections and additions to the list of proposed amendments to the Regulations annexed to ADN for entry into force on 1 January 2021.

It should be noted that the provisions of Article 20 (5) (a) of ADN allow for a quicker entry into force of amendments in cases where similar amendments have been adopted for other international agreements governing the carriage of dangerous goods. This means that additional proposed amendments have to be communicated to Contracting Parties no later than 1 September 2020 to ensure their entry into force on 1 January 2021, i.e. one month after acceptance by Contracting Parties.

Any proposed corrections to the proposed amendments in ECE/ADN/54 would have to be communicated to Contracting Parties on 1 October 2020 (date of acceptance of the amendments) in accordance with the usual procedure so that they can become effective at the latest by 1 January 2021.

 5. Programme of work and calendar of meetings

The twenty-sixth session of the ADN Administrative Committee is scheduled to take place on 29 January 2021. The deadline for the submission of documents is 30 October 2020.

 6. Any other business

The Administrative Committee may wish to discuss any other issue raised in relation to its work and mandate.

 7. Adoption of the report

The Administrative Committee may wish to adopt the report on its twenty-fifth session on the basis of a draft to be prepared by the secretariat and e-mailed to participants for approval after the meeting.

1. \* Distributed in German by the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine under the symbol CCNR/ZKR/ADN/55/Add.1. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)