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**WORK OF THE WORKING PARTY ON THE STANDARDIZATION OF
TECHNICAL AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS IN INLAND NAVIGATION:
UPDATING THE EUROPEAN CODE FOR INLAND WATERWAYS (CEVNI)**

Addendum

Submitted by the Danube Commission and the Government of Austria

Note: At its thirty-first session, Working Party SC.3/WP.3 invited delegations to submit their proposals on further amendments to the European Code for Inland Waterways (CEVNI). SC.3/WP.3 discussed a proposal by the Danube Commission to amend article 4.05 and annex 6 of the Code and invited Governments to express their position on the proposal (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/62, paras. 11-13).

In addition to the Danube Commission's proposal, the Government of Austria proposed to amend Article 1.01, lit. cc, which defines a high-speed craft based on the existence of the specific mention in its inspection certificate, considering that in the near future there will be vessels capable of travelling at a speed greater than 40 km/h without an entry in the certificate and that these vessels will not be covered by the new regulations for high-speed craft. To avoid this, the Austrian delegation proposes to amend either article 1.01 or article 6.01bis.

The draft amendments proposed by the Danube Commission and Austria are reproduced below. Comments by other Governments are given in footnotes. The Working Party may wish to consider the amendments and decide whether to add them to the amendments to article 1.01 and annex 5 of CEVNI, submitted in document ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2007/6.

FURTHER DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO
THE EUROPEAN CODE FOR INLAND WATERWAYS (CEVNI)

I. DRAFT AMENDEMENT TO ARTICLE 1.01

1. To delete words “when this is stated in its inspection certificate” in Article 1.01, lit. cc. **or** to amend article 6.01bis by adding a new regulation: “Only high-speed craft with an entry in the inspection certificate in accordance with article 1.01 lit. cc are allowed to travel at a speed greater than 40 km/h in relation to water.”

II. DRAFT AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 4.05

2. To replace in article 4.05, first sentence of paragraph 1, the preposition “or” by “and”.^{1/}

III. DRAFT AMENDMENT TO ANNEX 6

3. To include a visual representation of signal “Do not approach” in annex 6, immediately after the signal “I am unable to manoeuvre”:

“ _____ . . . Repeated, one short and one long blasts;”^{2/}

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^{1/} As of August 2007, Moldova, Romania and Serbia support the proposal. Croatia, Czech Republic, Lithuania, Netherlands did not express any objections. Switzerland considers, that in the French text, the list is already cumulative. Belgium and United Kingdom expressed their preference for the original wording.

^{2/} As of August 2007, Moldova, Romania and Serbia support the proposal. Belgium, Czech republic, Croatia, Lithuania, Netherlands and United Kingdom did not express any objections. Switzerland considers that article 8.01 of CEVNI is sufficiently clear and does not require a graphic representation.