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Further to the proposed amendments to CEVNI submitted by CCNR necessary to align CEVNI with RPNR (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2013/10 and Add.1), the secretariat reproduces below proposals and comments on article 4.05 submitted by the Russian Federation.

Amendment proposals to article 4.05

1. We propose to amend paragraph 1 of article 4.05 as follows:

“Every radiotelephone set carried on board a vessel or floating establishment shall conform to the Regional Arrangement concerning the Radiotelephone Service on Inland Waterways and shall be used in accordance with the provisions of this Arrangement. Details of these provisions are provided in the radiotelephony guide for inland navigation.

Vessels or floating establishments navigating in inland waterways not covered by the provisions of the above mentioned Regional Arrangement shall carry on board a radiotelephone set operated in accordance with the requirements of the local competent authorities.”

2. Indeed, we believe the provisions of article 4.05, paragraph 1, cannot be identical in RPNR and CEVNI. The text proposed by CCNR does not apply in a number of countries, e.g. Belarus, Finland, Lithuania and Russian Federation. The additional sentence would allow to cover countries which have not ratified the Arrangement and apply local radiocommunication regulations.

3. We propose to amend paragraph 2 of article 4.05 as follows:

“2. Motorized vessels, with the exception of small craft, may navigate only if they are equipped with a radiotelephone installation in proper working order for ship-to-ship, nautical information and ship-to-port-authority networks.

The radiotelephone installation shall ensure that two of these networks are monitored simultaneously.

The ship station used in the radiotelephone service for inland waterways may consist of either separate equipment for each of the service categories or equipment for combinations of several of those.

4. The proposed additional text in red is copied from annex 3, (1), (a) of the Regional Arrangement on the Radiocommunication Service for Inland Waterways (RAINWAT). This addition is useful as it will make clear that the use of various types of ship stations is admitted, that it is possible to install two radio stations for simultaneous use on two different service categories (as is the case in the Regulations of the Russian River Register). The current version of article 4.05, paragraph 2, requires to have two radio stations on board. Furthermore, this amendment will eliminate the contradiction with article 4.05, paragraph 3, which wording we agree with.

5. We propose to amend the Russian version of article 4.05, paragraph 2, as follows:

"Моторные суда, за исключением малых судов, могут находиться в плавании только в том случае, если они оборудованы ~~одной~~ радиотелефонной установкой для радиообмена между судами, передачи навигационной информации и радиообмена между судном и администрацией порта, и если эта установка находится в исправном рабочем состоянии.

Радиотелефонная установка должна обеспечивать одновременное дежурство на этих двух каналах.

Судовая станция, используемая в радиотелефонной службе на внутренних водных путях, может состоять из отдельных блоков для каждой из категорий служб, или включать в себя комбинированное оборудование для нескольких служб.”