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## **Working Party on Rail Transport**

### **Group of Experts towards Unified Railway Law**

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Item 3 of the provisional agenda

**Unification of international railway law with the objective of allowing rail carriage under a single legal regime.**

## **Comparison of relevant legal provisions in CIM and SMGS**

### **Submitted by the Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan**

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the United Nations Office and other international organizations at Geneva presents its compliments to the Transport Division of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe and, with reference to the 7th Session of the Group of Experts towards Unified Railway Law to be held on 3-4 April 2014, has the honour to transmit the following proposal of the State Customs Committee of the Republic of Azerbaijan regarding Article "K" (*completion of administrative formalities*) of fourth column (*possible wording of a new legal regime for Euro-Asian rail freight transport*) of the document ECE/TRANS/SC.2/GEURL/2013/9 drafted by the UNECE Secretariat:

1. "The consignor shall submit, in an acceptable manner, the accompanying documents to the consignment note or the documents containing the information ensuring the requirements of other regulations defined by the customs and national legislation to the competent authorities of the Contracting Parties. The above-mentioned documents or information must pertain only to the goods declared in the consignment note;
2. A railway (a railway entity) that accepts goods for the carriage at a dispatching station shall be responsible to the competent authorities of the parties for ensuring compliance with the requirements of the provisions mentioned in paragraph 1."

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the United Nations Office and other international organizations at Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Transport Division of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe the assurances of its highest consideration.

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