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Preparations for the 2017 Commission Session

Draft decision on the United Nations Road Safety Fund

-For approval-

Note by the secretariat

At its 79th session, which took place on 21-24 February 2017, the Inland Transport Committee discussed the issue of road safety under Item 5(c) of the agenda. The decisions taken at the session are contained in Informal document ITC (2017) No. 11¹. Therein, decision 28 of the Committee, pertaining to ensuring finances for road safety, and the United Nations Road Safety Fund, is as follows:

“28. Expressed its strong support for improving road safety and considered it important that finances for road safety are ensured. In this regard, welcomed the preparations for establishing the United Nations Road Safety Fund; appreciated the draft paper submitted by the UNECE Executive Secretary on the possible ways for doing so and (a) asked for more details on the concrete steps and their implications, (b) invited WP.1 to offer substantive and technical support to governments and other road safety stakeholders in their consultation and review of the draft proposal on establishing the United Nations Road Safety Fund. The Committee welcomed the transmission of the proposal to the Secretary-General for review and submission to the United Nations General Assembly after thorough consultations, and to facilitate it invited participating delegates and all other road safety stakeholders to stay engaged in the consultation process. The Committee asked for further information on the timetable”

In light of the above, EXCOM is invited to consider submitting the following decision for consideration at the 67th Session of the Economic Commission for Europe (draft as of 16 February 2017):

The Economic Commission for Europe

Welcomes the decision of the Inland Transport Committee to look into possible ways to establish the United Nations Road Safety Fund through, *inter-alia*, multi-stakeholder and intergovernmental consultations, with a view to developing a concrete proposal for the consideration of the Secretary-General in due course, and encourages member-States to become involved in this process.

¹ As per decision 50 from the same document, the adoption of the report of the seventy-ninth session was limited to a list of main decisions and the complete report of the session will be circulated at a later stage.