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Working Party on Customs Questions  
affecting Transport

Informal ad hoc Expert Group on the  
Computerization of the TIR procedure

**Updates of the Reference Model of the TIR Procedure**

**Follow up to decisions ExG/17 (Annex 1) and of ExG/25 (Annex 2)**

**Transmitted by the secretariat**

**A. BACKGROUND**

1. At its third session on 1 and 2 September 2003 in Budapest, the Informal ad hoc Expert Group (hereafter called the Expert Group) requested the secretariat to draft a more detailed wording of Requirement 25 of Annex 1 (a TIR Transport must be guaranteed) (Decision No. 17) and to amend the Glossary in Annex 2 with the term “transport operator/driver”, together with its definition (Decision No. 25).

2. At the same time, the secretariat proposes to amend Annex 2 with a number of other terms (new issue No. 36).

**B. PROPOSAL BY THE SECRETARIAT**

2. Annex 1, requirement 25: replace the existing statement by the following:

*“A TIR Transport must be guaranteed by associations approved in accordance with the provisions of Article 6 of the Convention”*

3. Annex 2, insert the following terms:

<b>Term</b>	<b>Definition</b>	<b>Source</b>
Transport operator	Person actually transporting the goods or in charge of or responsible for the operation of the means of transport	Kyoto Convention
Driver	Natural person operating the means of transport	Secretariat
Forwarder	Person performing services (such as receiving, transshipping or delivering), designed to assure and facilitate the passage of goods of his principal to their destination	Webster/secretariat
Consignor	Person consigning goods	Secretariat
Consignee	Person receiving goods	Secretariat
First Customs office of departure	Any Customs office of a Contracting Party where the TIR transport begins	Secretariat
Intermediate Customs office of departure	Any Customs office of a Contracting Party other than the first Customs office of departure, where the TIR transport of a part load of goods begins	Secretariat
Intermediate Customs office of destination	Any Customs office of a Contracting Party other than the final Customs office of destination where the TIR transport of a part load of goods ends.	Secretariat
Final Customs office of destination	Any Customs office of a Contracting Party where the TIR transport ends	Secretariat
Customs office of entry <u>en route</u>	Any Customs office of a Contracting Party through which a road vehicle, combination of vehicles or containers enters this Contracting Party in the course of a TIR transport	Article 1 (m)
Customs office of exit <u>en route</u>	Any Customs office of a Contracting Party through which a road vehicle, combination of vehicles or containers leaves this Contracting Party in the course of a TIR transport	Article 1 (m)

**C. REQUEST TO THE EXPERT GROUP**

4. The Expert Group is requested to discuss, finalize and, possibly, validate the amended definitions of Annex 1 and Annex 2, including those proposed by the secretariat in new issue No. 36.

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