UNITED NATIONS



Economic and Social Council

Distr.

RESTRICTED

Informal document No. 6 (2003) 5 June 2003

ENGLISH

Original: ENGLISH, FRENCH AND

RUSSIAN

ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE

INLAND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Working Party on Customs Questions affecting

Transport

(One-hundredth-and-fourth session, 17-20 June 2003, agenda item 7 (b) (iv))

CUSTOMS CONVENTION ON THE INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT OF GOODS UNDER COVER OF TIR CARNETS (TIR CONVENTION 1975)

Improvement of CUTE-Wise Application

Note by the International Road Transport Union (IRU)

- 1. As mentioned in TRANS/WP.30/2003/9, the IRU has developed a new version of the CUTE-*Wise* application (CUTE-*Wise* V2.0) allowing the access to the database of IRU providing information about TIR Carnets.
- 2. The new version of the CUTE-*Wise* application avoids the problem of « fire walls » whilst benefiting from direct and secure Internet access. This allows, through a simple connection without excessive costs, an easy consultation for any user who has an Internet access and the password provided by the IRU, which identifies him as the user of the application.

- 3. Thus, the user can access the database of IRU in order to:
 - Verify the status of each TIR Carnet (issued or not, in circulation or returned to the IRU);
 - Consult the Customs information of TIR operation termination at the customs office of destination, when this information has been transmitted by the customs authorities;
 - Download onto his own system the lists of TIR Carnets invalidated, so as to transmit this information to all customs offices concerned.
- 4. In addition, this new version contains a User Guide integrated directly into the application.
- 5. This application is now accessible on the Internet at the following address: www.cutewise.org.
- 6. CUTE-*Wise* V2.0 represents a simple and effective tool to assist the application of Risk Management and thus should be used by all customs offices dealing with TIR transit operations.
- 7. To this end, we suggest that you ensure its promotion to all competent customs services. Access to CUTE-*Wise* V2.0 can be obtained by means of a form, which can be requested by e-mail at briru@iru.org.