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**INLAND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE**

**Ad hoc Meeting on the Convention on  
Civil Liability for Damage caused during  
Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road,  
Rail and Inland Navigation Vessels (CRTD)**  
(Second session,  
4-6 November 2002)

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE SECOND SESSION\***

**to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva,  
starting at 10 a.m. on Monday, 4 November 2002**

IMPORTANT

In view of the new security measures concerning access to the Palais des Nations, delegations are requested to inform the secretariat (UNECE Transport Division) of their exact composition. Access to the Palais des Nations will be restricted to the bearers of an identity card which will be issued by the Security and Safety Section, Villa Les Feuillantines, 13 Avenue de la Paix (please see the plan on the last page).

Each participant named on the list of members of the delegation is requested to complete in advance the enrolment form on the second-last page and forward it by fax (41 22 917 00 39) or by e-mail (mireille.chavet@unece.org) at latest one week before the session opens.

\* As part of the secretariat's efforts to reduce expenditure, documents distributed prior to the session by mail will not be available in the conference room for distribution to session participants. Delegates are kindly requested to bring their copies of documents to the meeting.

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Background information: results of the questionnaire related to the CRTD TRANS/WP.15/2001/17,  
-/Add.1 to -/Add.8  
TRANS/WP.15/167, annex 5
3. Main obstacles to the entry into force of the CRTD TRANS/AC.8/2
  - (a) Scope of CRTD
  - (b) Limits of financial liability
  - (c) Other CRTD articles that would need to be amended
4. Programme of work
5. Any other business
6. Adoption of the report

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### 1. Adoption of the agenda

In accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, the first item on the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda.

### 2. Background information: results of the questionnaire related to the CRTD

The Inland Transport Committee at its sixty-third session (13-15 February 2001) requested the Working Party to consider the results of a questionnaire on the CRTD Convention, and, if it deemed appropriate, establish an ad hoc group of experts to consider how the Convention could be modified to encourage accessions.

The meeting of the Ad hoc group of experts took place on Monday 5 and Tuesday 6 November 2001 and was attended by representatives from the following countries: Austria, Czech Republic, Germany, Netherlands (Chair), Spain, Sweden and the United States of America.

The following organizations were also represented: European Chemical Industry Council (CEFIC) and Central Office for International Carriage by Rail (OCTI).

This meeting considered the following documents prepared by the secretariat: TRANS/WP.15/2001/17 and Add. 1-6, as well as informal documents (INF.24, 37, 42 and 44).

### 3. Main obstacles to the entry into force of the CRTD

#### (a) Scope of CRTD

During its last session, the Ad hoc Meeting decided to maintain the existing scope of the CRTD to cover risks related to inland transport carried out by the various modes (road, rail and inland waterways).

#### (b) Limits of financial liability

The Ad hoc Meeting may wish to consider the draft amendments to articles 9 and 16 of the CRTD in document TRANS/AC.8/2, annex 2.

#### (c) Other CRTD articles that would need to be amended

The Ad hoc Meeting may wish to consider the CRTD articles that would need to be amended. During its last session, the Ad hoc Meeting decided to consider the following articles:

Articles 5 4 (c) ; 5 7) (b) ; 13 et 14 ( see TRANS/AC.8/2, paras.43 - 49).

### 4. Programme of work

The Ad hoc Meeting may wish to consider its programme of work.

**5. Any other business**

No document.

**6. Adoption of the report**

In accordance with established practice, the Working Party will adopt the report on its second session on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat.

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