

INLAND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

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**PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO ANNEXES A AND B OF ADR**

**Section 8.2.2.8: Certificate of driver's training**

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**I. ANALYSIS**

The aim of this informal document is to draw your attention to the existing situation with the ADR driver training certificate based on section 8.2.2.8 in all ADR contracting parties.

During the 2006 spring session of the WP.15, the informal document INF. 24 (United Kingdom) mentioned that enforcement officials expressed difficulties in determining if non-United Kingdom Driver Training Certificates held by drivers were genuine. Remarks made by several delegates demonstrated they were not in favour of the Secretariat placing sample ADR Driver Training Certificates from each country on its website.

Meanwhile, the IRU Secretariat General collected existing ADR Certificates from several ADR Contracting Parties. None of them are the same, which could lead to falsification and misinterpretation, damaging the image of the profession (**see annex**). Chapter 1.10.1.6 states that "all competent authorities are required to maintain registers of valid certificates".

**II. PROPOSAL**

The ADR gives a standard definition of how the certificate should look, and it is clear that the problem concerns the visual aspect more than it does the actual content. Therefore a binding structured model needs to be enforced in order to avoid further doubt of authenticity of current ADR Driver Training certificates by enforcement authorities.

The IRU proposes to restructure section 8.2.2.8.3 by numerically identifying each field of the existing certificate, as shown in chapter 9.1.3.5 (Model for certificate of approval for vehicles carrying certain dangerous goods).

Further to this, the IRU and its Members would be pleased to see the WP.15 or an ADR Contracting Party take the lead through a Working Group or other means, in order to provide a binding model to all Contracting Parties of the ADR with a view to solve the problem of certificate authentication by Authorities.

**III. ENFORCEABILITY:**

No problem foreseen.

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