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Transport of Dangerous Goods – Global and Regional Dimensions

Note by the secretariat

1. The Bureau of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) Inland Transport Committee (ITC) has selected "Transport of Dangerous Goods: Global and regional dimensions" as the theme of its policy-oriented segment (round table) for its 73rd session.

2. The secretariat has sought, through information of all organs dealing with transport of dangerous goods serviced by the UNECE secretariat, and through calls of papers, contributions from UNECE and non-UNECE countries, intergovernmental organizations, NGOs or the private sector presenting their vision of future developments, challenges and opportunities regarding the transport of dangerous goods in the UNECE region and the global context.

3. A first draft programme was issued as informal document INF.6 at the last session of the Bureau.

4. The final programme is reproduced below.



Programme of the ITC Round Table Transport of Dangerous Goods – Global and Regional Dimensions

1 March 2011, 15.00–18.00

15.00 – 15.05 **OPENING AND WELCOME** Ms. Eva Molnar Director, UNECE Transport Division

15.05 – 16.05 **I. THE GLOBAL CONTEXT**

- The multi-modal framework in the context of sustainable development: the United Nations Recommendations and their implementation Mr. Claude Pfauvadel Chef de la Mission du Transport des Matières Dangereuses Direction Générale de la Prévention des Risques Ministère de l'Ecologie, du Développement durable, des Transports et du Logement France
- How are the United Nations Recommendations translated in maritime transport regulations at a global level Mr. Alfredo Parroquin-Ohlson Cargoes and Facilitation Section Maritime Safety Division International Maritime Organization
- Future developments and needs at the global scale
 Mr. Paul Wauters
 Chairman of the IRU Group of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods International Road Transport Union (IRU)
- Safe and Sustainable Transport in the Chemical Industry Mr. Jos Verlinden Director Transport and Logistics European Chemical Industry Council (CEFIC)
- Future challenges for the safe transport of dangerous goods: Retention of expertise Mr. Jeff Hart Head of International Negotiations Dangerous Goods Division, Department of Transport, United Kingdom

Break
 II. THE EUROPEAN CONTEXT and "A vision for the future of European legislation" Goals, principles and guidelines in European Union policy Ms. Isabelle Kardacz Head of the Road Safety and Transport of Dangerous Goods Unit DG Move European Commission
 Accession lessons about the ADR – Turkey Mr. Izzet Isik Head of Department Directorate General for Land Transport Ministry of Transport Turkey
 Dangerous goods transport by rail in the Euro-Asian trade (RID/SMGS). Mr. Jean Pierre Lehman Director for Legal Affairs International Union of Railways (UIC)
 Transport of dangerous goods in inland navigation: going beyond legislation Mr. Jean-Marie Woehrling Secretary-General Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR)
 Safety at ship-shore interface: International Safety Guide for Inland Navigation Tank-Barges and Terminals (ISGINTT) Mr.Helmut Rein Head of the Transport of Dangerous Goods Section Federal Ministry of Transport, Building and Urban Affairs Germany
III. PANEL DISCUSSION: Country and industry perspectives
Panelists:Government officials, EU, industry representativesModerator:Mr. Olivier KervellaChief, Dangerous Goods and Special Cargoes SectionUNECE Transport Division
QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
CONCLUDING REMARKS Ms. Eva Molnar Director, UNECE Transport Division