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Thirty-first session

Geneva, 20 February 2023

Annotated provisional agenda for the thirty-first session*

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 9:30 am on Monday, 20 February 2023, Salle XXV.

I. Provisional Agenda

1. Adoption of the Agenda.
2. Programme of Work:
 - (a) Development of proposals for amending the AETR Agreement, including Article 22bis;
 - (b) Appendix 1C;
 - (c) Application of Regulation (European Commission) No. 561/2006 in the “AETR area”.
3. TACHOnet.
4. Other Business.
5. Date and Place of Next Meeting.
6. Adoption of the Report.

* Delegates are requested to register online at <https://indico.un.org/event/1002030/>

II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the Agenda

The Group of Experts will be invited to adopt the session's agenda (ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/69).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/69

2. Programme of Work

(a) Development of proposals for amending the AETR Agreement, including Article 22bis

At the last session, the Group of Experts was informed that no bilateral meetings between the Russian Federation and European Commission have been held. As a result, no compromise solution was found related to ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2021/2. The Russian Federation reiterated that its position remains unchanged as per ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2021/3. The Group will be invited to continue discussing this topic.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2021/2, ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2021/3

(b) Appendix 1C

The Group will be invited to discuss ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2018/1/Rev.1 (Portugal's proposals to modify Annex IC in order to adapt the European Union specifications on the smart tachograph to the AETR legal framework (as Appendix 1C)). For the present session, the Russian Federation submitted comments on Appendix 1C (ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2023/1) as well as corrections to the Russian translation to the document. The Group will be invited to discuss ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2023/1.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2018/1/Rev.1, ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2023/1

(c) Application of Regulation (European Commission) No. 561/2006 in the "AETR area"

At the last session, the Group of Experts discussed this subject and invited national experts to exchange information – at future sessions – on best practices related to treatment of vehicles from "non-AETR area" entering the territory of the European Union or a non-EU AETR Contracting Party. The Group will be invited to continue its discussions on this subject.

3. TACHOnet

At the last session, the European Union did not submit a revised version of ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2019/1/Rev.3 (a proposal to introduce a new Appendix 4 on exchange of information). The Group will be invited to discuss the revised document (ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2019/1/Rev.4) if submitted.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2019/1/Rev.4

4. Other Business

Belarus has submitted an amendment proposal concerning Article 4, paragraph 2 for applications of the AETR Agreement in the "force majeure situations" (ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2023/2). The Group will be invited to discuss it.

The Group of Experts may wish to discuss other business.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.21/2023/2

5. Date and Place of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for 12 June 2023 at Palais des Nations in Geneva. The deadline for the submission of formal documents is 17 March 2023.

6. Adoption of the Report

The Group of Experts will adopt the report of this session.
