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EUROPEAN AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE WORK OF CREWS OF VEHICLES ENGAGED IN INTERNATIONAL ROAD TRANSPORT (AETR) GENEVA, 1 JULY 1970

PROPOSAL OF AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 14 OF THE AETR

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

On 11 February 2015, the Governments of Turkey and Ukraine, in accordance with paragraph 1 of article 21 of the above Agreement, communicated to the Secretary-General the text of a proposed amendment to article 14 of the AETR, which was adopted by the Working Party on Road Transport (SC.1) at its one-hundred-and-ninth session (ECE/TRANS/SC.1/402, paragraph 14) held in Geneva on 28 and 29 October 2014.

The text of the proposed amendment, in the English, French and Russian languages, attached to this depositary notification, can be found in document ECE/TRANS/SC.1/402 on the UNECE Transport Division website at the following address:

http://www.unece.org/trans/main/sc1/sc1rep.html.

With regard to the amendments proposed to the body and to the Annex of the AETR, the Secretary-General wishes to refer to article 21, paragraphs 1 to 6 which provide that:

- "1. Any Contracting Party may propose one or more amendments to this Agreement. The text of any proposed amendment shall be communicated to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, who shall communicate it to all Contracting Parties and inform thereof all the other States referred to in article 14, paragraph 1, of this Agreement.
- 2. Within a period of six months from the date on which the proposed amendment is communicated by the Secretary-General, any Contracting Party may inform the Secretary-General:
 - (a) that it has an objection to the amendment proposed; or
 - (b) that, although it intends to accept the proposal, the conditions necessary for such acceptance are not yet fulfilled in its State.
- 3. If a Contracting Party sends to the Secretary-General a communication such as is provided for in paragraph 2 (b) of this article, it may, so long as it has not notified the Secretary-General of its acceptance of the proposed amendment, submit an objection to the proposed amendment within a period of nine months following the expiry of the six-month period provided for its communication.

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- 4. If an objection to the proposed amendment is stated in accordance with the terms of paragraphs 2 and 3 of this article, the amendment shall be deemed not to have been accepted and shall be of no effect.
- 5. If no objection to the proposed amendment has been stated under paragraphs 2 and 3 of this article, then the amendment shall be deemed to have been accepted as from the date specified below:
 - if no Contracting Party has sent a communication to the Secretary-General under paragraph 2 (b) of this article: on the expiry of the period of six months referred to in paragraph 2 of this article;
 - (b) if any Contracting Party has sent a communication to the Secretary-General under paragraph 2 (b) of this article: on the earlier of the following two dates:
 - the date by which all the Contracting Parties which sent such communications have notified the Secretary-General of their acceptance of the proposal, subject to the [provisions] that, if all the acceptances were notified before the expiry of the period of six months referred to in paragraph 2 of this article, this date shall be taken to be the date of expiry of the said six-month period;
 - the date of expiry of the period of nine months referred to in paragraph 3 of this article.
- 5 *bis* In the case of a country which becomes a Contracting Party to this Agreement between the moment of notification of a draft amendment and the moment when it is considered accepted, the secretariat of the Working Party on Road Transport of the Economic Commission for Europe shall notify the new State Party of the draft amendment as soon as possible. The latter may inform the Secretary-General of any objection before the end of the six—month period from the date of transmission of the original amendment to all Contracting Parties.
- 6. Any amendment deemed to be accepted shall enter into force three months after the date on which it was deemed to be accepted."

18 February 2015

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Annex/Annexe

English/Anglais

"This Agreement shall be open for signature until 31 March 1971 and thereafter for accession, by States members of the Economic Commission for Europe and States admitted to the Commission in a consultative capacity under paragraph 8 or 11 of the Commission's terms of reference. Accessions under paragraph 11 of the Commission's terms of reference shall be limited to the following States: Algeria, Jordan, Morocco and Tunisia."

French/Français

« Le présent Accord est ouvert à la signature jusqu'au 31 mars 1971 et, après cette date, à l'adhésion des États membres de la Commission économique pour l'Europe et des États admis à la Commission à titre consultatif conformément aux paragraphes 8 ou 11 du mandat de cette commission. L'adhésion en vertu du paragraphe 11 du mandat de la Commission doit être réservée aux États suivants: Algérie, Jordanie, Maroc et Tunisie. »

Russian/Russe

"Настоящее Соглашение открыто для подписания до 31 марта 1971года и после этой даты для присоединения государств—членов Европейской экономической комиссии и государств, допущенных к участию в работе Комиссии с консультативным статусом в соответствии с пунктом 8 или 11 положения о круге ведения этой Комиссии. Присоединение в соответствии с пунктом 11 положения о круге ведения этой Комиссии ограничивается следующими государствами: Алжиром, Иорданией, Марокко и Тунисом".