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EUROPEAN AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL CARRIAGE
OF DANGEROUS GOODS BY ROAD (ADR)
DONE AT GENEVA ON 30 SEPTEMBER 1957

AMENDMENTS PROPOSED BY THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN
AND NORTHERN IRELAND TO ANNEXES A AND B, AS AMENDED, TO
THE ABOVE-MENTIONED AGREEMENT

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

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in accordance with paragraph 1 of article 14 of the above-mentioned Agreement, has transmitted to the Secretary-General the text of proposed amendments to annexes A and B, as amended, to the said Agreement. (The text of these proposed amendments had been approved by the Group of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods at its 41st and 43rd sessions.)

In this connection, reference is made to the procedure for the amendment of annexes to the Agreement set forth in article 14 thereof, in particular to paragraphs 2 and 3, which read as follows:

"2. The Secretary-General shall transmit any proposal made under paragraph 1 of this article to all Contracting Parties and inform thereof the other countries referred to in article 6, paragraph 1.

3. Any proposed amendment to the annexes shall be deemed to be accepted unless, within three months from the date on which the Secretary-General circulates it, at least one-third of the Contracting Parties, or five of them if one-third exceeds that figure, have given the Secretary-General written notification of their objection to the proposed amendment. If the amendment is deemed to be accepted, it shall enter into force for all the Contracting Parties, either on the expiry of a further period of three months or, in cases where similar amendments have been or are likely to be made to the other international agreements referred to in paragraph 1 of this article, on the expiry of a period the duration of which shall be determined by the Secretary-General in such a way as to allow, wherever possible, the simultaneous entry into force of

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the amendment and those that have been or are likely to be made to such other agreements; such period shall not, however, be of less than one month's duration."

In respect of the possible date of entry into force of the amendments, the Secretary-General has been informed by the competent services of the Economic Commission for Europe that since the entry into force of various amendments to the International Regulations concerning Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail (RID) will take place on 1 January 1990, it would be desirable that the amendments in question to Annexes A and B of the ADR Agreement also enter into force on the same date in order to avoid any disruption in the combined road/railway traffic.

Unless the proposed amendments to the Annexes are deemed rejected pursuant to article 14 (3), the text of which is reproduced above, the Secretary-General proposes that the amendments in question enter into force on 1 January 1990.

A copy of the following English and French texts of the proposed amendments to annexes A and B of the Agreement are attached herewith.

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Annex B

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