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**TO THE MEMBER STATES AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS OF OTIF AND  
TO REGIONAL ORGANISATIONS WHICH HAVE ACCEDED TO COTIF**

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**Depositary notification**

Finland – Acceptance of the amendments to COTIF and Appendices E, F and G adopted by the 13<sup>th</sup> General Assembly

In his capacity as the Depositary, the Secretary General of the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) notifies you of the following information:

On 25 September 2019, Finland deposited its instrument of acceptance of the amendments to COTIF and Appendices E, F and G adopted by the 13<sup>th</sup> General Assembly in September 2018.

This instrument was not accompanied by any declarations.

Finland is the first OTIF Member State to approve these amendments.

In accordance with Article 34 § 2 of COTIF, the amendments to the Convention adopted by the 13<sup>th</sup> General Assembly will only enter into force twelve months after they have been approved by two thirds of the Member States in accordance with their national law, i.e. at present once 32 Member States have approved them.

In accordance with Article 34 § 3 of COTIF, the amendments to Appendix E (CUI) adopted by the 13<sup>th</sup> General Assembly will also only enter into force twelve months after they have been approved, in accordance with their national law, by half the States that have not made a declaration in accordance with the first sentence of Article 42 § 1 of COTIF, i.e. at present once 21 Member States have approved them.

In accordance with Article 34 § 3 of COTIF, the amendments to Appendices F (APTU) and G (ATMF) adopted by the 13<sup>th</sup> General Assembly will also only enter into force twelve months after they have been approved, in accordance with their national law, by half the States that have not made a declaration in accordance with the first sentence of Article 42 § 1 of COTIF, i.e. at present once 22 Member States have approved them.



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