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Subject: Deletion of references to railway tariffs

Proposal transmitted by the Secretariat of OTIF

The following paragraphs in RID refer to railway tariffs:

- 1.5.1.3 Note;
- 3.3.1 Special provision 633 (marking of packages and small containers containing substances of UN Number 2211 or 3314 with "KEEP AWAY FROM ANY SOURCE OF IGNITION");
- 5.2.1.5 (marking of packages containing goods of Class 1 with the proper shipping name);
- 5.4.1.2.1 (c) (copy of the competent authority approval attached to the consignment note with the conditions of carriage for UN 0190 SAMPLES, EXPLOSIVE);
- 5.5.2.1 (information in the consignment note on the date of fumigation and the type and amount of fumigant used, the disposal of any residual fumigant and the fumigation devices used);
- 6.8.3.5.6 (d) (the inscription of "thermally insulated" or "thermally insulated by vacuum" on tank-wagons and tank-containers equipped with thermal insulation);
- 6.8.4 (e) Note (marking of tank-wagons and tank-containers with the information required in accordance with TM special provisions, e.g. "DO NOT OPEN DURING CARRIAGE. LIABLE TO SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION", "DO NOT OPEN DURING CARRIAGE. GIVES OFF FLAMMABLE GASES ON CONTACT WITH WATER");
– Chapter 7.7.

As the obligation to conclude tariffs will disappear once COTIF 1999 enters into force, a different form of words must be chosen for the sections referred to above. In so doing, the Note to 1.5.1.3 no longer needs to be taken into account because a text for this was adopted at the last session of the RID Committee of Experts (see document OCTI/RID/CE/41/7b) and report A 81-03/511.2004, paragraphs 104 and 105). Chapter 7.7 need not be considered either, as there is a UIC and CIT proposal on this (see document OCTI/RID/CE/42/5n)).

Proposal

Option 1 (Harmonisation with the wording of ADR)

3.3.1 SP 633, 5.2.1.5, 5.4.1.2.1 (c), 5.5.2.1, 6.8.3.5.6 (d) and 6.8.4 (e) Note. amend "unless any international tariffs or agreements between the railways provide otherwise" to read:

"unless any agreements concluded between the countries concerned in the transport operation provide otherwise".

Option 2 (Involve the parties to the Contract of Carriage, as proposed in document OCTI/RID/CE/42/5k) for the languages to be used in the consignment note)

3.3.1 SP 633, 5.2.1.5, 5.4.1.2.1 (c), 5.5.2.1, 6.8.3.5.6 (d) and 6.8.4 (e) Note. amend "unless any international tariffs or agreements between the railways provide otherwise" to read:

"unless any agreements concluded between the countries concerned in the transport operation or between the parties to the Contract of Carriage provide otherwise".