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RID: 47th Session of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (Sofia, 16 - 20 November 2009)

Subject: Proposal to include on the OTIF website the existing restrictions applicable to rail traffic in tunnels in COTIF Member States

Proposal transmitted by Denmark

1. Denmark has observed that with regard to road traffic, ADR 2009 reflects the demand to produce tunnel codes for all road tunnels. With a view to this Denmark invites the RID Committee of Experts to discuss how to facilitate the flow of information from OTIF’s website to ensure that rail transport restrictions that exist on the territories of all the COTIF Member States can be made available.

2. Denmark also encourages the RID Committee of Experts to consider the formation of a working group with the purpose of clarifying whether harmonised restrictions for transport through railway tunnels can be introduced. The group should focus on tunnels combining road and railway traffic, and it should bear in mind the equivalent provisions of ADR.