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## TO THE MEMBER STATES AND ASSOCIATED MEMBERS OF OTIF AND TO REGIONAL ORGANISATIONS THAT HAVE ACCEDED TO COTIF

**Depositary Notification** 

Modifications to the Regulation concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail (RID)

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

At its 57<sup>th</sup> session (Berne/hybrid, 24 May 2022), the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (RID Committee of Experts) adopted amendments to the 1 January 2021 edition of RID.

In accordance with Article 35 § 3 of COTIF, these amendments will enter into force on the first day of the sixth month following this notification, i.e. on 1 January 2023, unless one quarter of the Member States formulate an objection during the four months from the day of this notification in accordance with Article 35 § 4 of COTIF. The period for objections ends on 1 November 2022. Once this deadline has expired, we will inform you of the status of this matter.

These amendments are contained in the enclosed notification texts with the code OTIF/RID/NOT/2023. These texts will also be placed on OTIF's website.

Also attached is the final report of the 14<sup>th</sup> session of the RID Committee of Experts' standing working group (Berne/hybrid, 23 and 24 May 2022) and the 57<sup>th</sup> session of the RID Committee of Experts (Berne/hybrid, 24 May 2022).

Yours faithfully

(Wolfgang Küpper) Secretary General

## Encs:

- Notification texts OTIF/RID/NOT/2023
- Final report of the 14<sup>th</sup> session of the RID Committee of Experts' standing working group
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## cc letter and annexes for information:

- railway undertakings of the Member States of OTIF
- interested international organisations