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ENTRY INTO FORCE

of Regulations adopted by the Committee of Technical Experts in accordance with Appendix F (APTU) or Appendix G (ATMF) to the Convention, notified in circular A 92-03/506.2011 dated 30.11.2011

Par souci d'économie, le présent document a fait l'objet d'un tirage limité. Les délégués sont priés d'apporter leurs exemplaires aux réunions. L'OTIF ne dispose que d'une réserve très restreinte.

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I have the pleasure to inform the Member States that the regulations adopted at the 4th session of the Committee of Technical Experts on 14-15 September 2011 will enter into force or have already entered into force on the dates indicated in the table below. No objections were received by the deadline prescribed in Article 35 of the Convention and indicated in the notification circular.

Reference	Title	In force
UTP GEN-A: Doc. A 94-01A/1.2011	GENERAL PROVISIONS – ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS	01.12.2011
UTP GEN-B: Doc. A 94-01B/1.2012	GENERAL PROVISIONS – SUBSYSTEMS	01.05.2012
UTP GEN-C: Doc. A 94-01C/1.2011	GENERAL PROVISIONS – TECHNICAL FILE	01.12.2011
UTP GEN-E: Doc. A 94-01E/1.2011	GENERAL PROVISIONS – ASSESSING ENTITY – QUALIFICATIONS AND INDEPENDENCE	01.12.2011
UTP GEN-G : Doc. A 94-01G/1.2012	GENERAL PROVISIONS – COMMON SAFETY METHOD (CSM) ON RISK EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT (RA)	01.05.2012
ATMF Annex A : Doc. A 94-30/1.2012	CERTIFICATION AND AUDITING OF ENTITIES IN CHARGE OF MAINTENANCE (ECM)	01.05.2012

However, the EU has pointed out some editorial errors in the documents notified in November 2011. The documents are - in their corrected form - placed on the OTIF website under “Technology” > “Regulations in force” > “UTPs and others”.

Member States which have not yet ratified COTIF 1999 or which have made a declaration in accordance with Article 42 of the Convention not to apply Appendix F APTU (for UTPs) and/or Appendix G ATMF (for Annexes to ATMF) to COTIF 1999 will not be affected by the entry into force of these regulations until they ratify COTIF 1999 or until their declarations are withdrawn.

By the date on which a Member State becomes a Contracting State to COTIF 1999 (i.e. the date on which its ratification of COTIF 1999 or its revocation of its declaration in accordance with Article 42 of the Convention enters into force) it must comply with the above mentioned regulations. All Member States have always been informed of regulations that have been proposed, adopted and notified, and of the entry into force of these regulations.

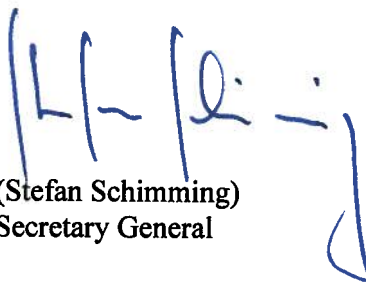
The consequence of not complying with the deadlines for implementation is that the Contracting State in question cannot legally issue COTIF technical certificates for subsystems in international traffic to which the non-implemented regulations apply. In addition, other Member States are not obliged to recognise technical certificates issued by States that have not implemented the regulations.

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- International Union of Railways (UIC)
- International Rail Transport Committee (CIT)
- International Union of Private Railway Wagons (UIP)
- Organisation for Railways Cooperation (OSJD)
- Community of European Railway and Infrastructure Companies (CER)
- European Rail Freight Association (ERFA)
- Union of European Railway Industries (UNIFE)
- International Association of Public Transport (UITP)
- International Union of combined Road-Rail transport companies (UIRR)
- European Committee for Standardisation (CEN)
- International Association of Private-Sidings Users (IVA)

Yours faithfully



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