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

**Depositary Notification** 

Amendments 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 58<sup>th</sup> session (Berne, 23 May 2024), the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (RID Committee of Experts) adopted amendments to the 1 January 2023 edition of RID.

In accordance with Article 35 § 3 of COTIF, these amendments enter into force on the first day of the sixth month following this notification, i.e. on 1 January 2025, unless, in accordance with Article 35 § 4 of COTIF, one quarter of the Member States object within four months of the date of notification. The period for objections expires on 24 October 2024. Once this period has expired, we will inform you of the status of this matter.

These amendments are contained in the enclosed notification texts with reference OTIF/RID/NOT/2025. These texts will also be published on <u>OTIF's website</u>.

The Secretariat will also prepare an unofficial English-language synopsis of the amendments to RID and ADR to make translation easier for the Member States. This will be made available to you on request.

The final reports of the 17<sup>th</sup> session of the RID Committee of Experts' standing working group (Berne, 22 May 2024) and the 58<sup>th</sup> session of the RID Committee of Experts (Berne, 23 May 2024) are also attached.

Yours faithfully

(Wolfgang Küpper)

Secretary General

Enc:

- Notification texts OTIF/RID/NOT/2025
- Final report of the 17<sup>th</sup> session of the RID Committee of Experts' standing working group
- Final report of the 58<sup>th</sup> session of the RID Committee of Experts

## cc. letter and annexes for information:

- The railway undertakings of the Member States of OTIF
- Interested international organisations