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

Addendum 2 to the Guidelines on treaty acts under COTIF

Accession to COTIF 1999 with a reservation to apply CIV UR and/or CIM UR only to part of a Member State's railway network

1. Paragraphs 25 and 26 of the ‘Guidelines on treaty acts under COTIF’ deal with accession to and denunciation of the Convention and paragraphs 36 to 41 address the application of CIV UR and/or CIM UR only to part of a Member State’s railway network if it is a party to a convention concerning international through carriage of passengers and goods by rail comparable to the CIV UR and CIM UR. However, it should be clarified that the convention in question should be notified to the Secretary General and what happens if a Member State ceases to be a party to such a convention.
2. The following paragraph is added to the ‘Guidelines on treaty acts under COTIF’:

“38¹ Any State which makes a request to enter a reservation in accordance with CIV UR, Article 1 §§ 6 and 7, and/or CIM UR, Article 1 §§ 6 and 7, must indicate in the instrument of accession or accompanying official documents the convention concerning international through carriage of passengers and/or goods by rail comparable to the CIV UR and/or CIM UR to which it is a party. It should be noted that the reservation ceases to be in force if its premise ceases to exist, i.e. the State in question is no longer a party to the convention justifying this special regulation.”