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Committee of Technical Experts: cancelled
Working Group TECH: remote meeting

Owing to the coronavirus disease pandemic (COVID-19), many of OTIF's Member States are facing an exceptional situation. The Secretariat of OTIF is closely following developments concerning the pandemic and is complying with the recommendations and measures of the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Swiss Confederation (Host State). Having regard to the measures the Member States have taken to protect public health, and in order to support them, the Secretariat has decided as follows:

- The 13th session of the Committee of Technical Experts (CTE), which should have been held on 16 and 17 June 2020, has been cancelled and will be postponed to June 2021. Some of the proposals for decision will be put to a vote using the written procedure. All the documents submitted to CTE can be found under this link.

- The 40th session of Working Group TECH (WG TECH) will be held remotely via an Internet platform on 17 and 18 June from 09.30 to 12.30 on both days (Central European summer time - CEST). More information on participating in the remote meeting will be sent to those who register their attendance using the registration form under: Events > Registration form.

At the 40th session of WG TECH, an additional agenda item will be proposed: final re-examination of proposals for decision with legal effect initially placed on the agenda of the Committee of Technical Experts. Specifically, this will include re-examination of the amendments to the Uniform Technical Prescriptions (UTP) Noise, UTP Wagons and UTP Marking and re-examination of the complete revision of the rules for the certification and auditing of entities in charge of maintenance (ECM rules) and of the vehicle register specifications.