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Your Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of Norway hereby makes the following declaration to the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (COTIF) of 9 May 1980 in the version of the Protocol of Modification of 3 June 1999:

In accordance with Article 42 of the COTIF, Norway hereby withdraws the reservations against Appendices E (CUI), F (APTU) and G (ATMF) with immediate effect.

Furthermore, in accordance with Article 3 § 2 of the COTIF, and with reference to Article 11 of the Agreement of 23 June 2011 on the accession of the European Union to the COTIF, Norway declares that, in its mutual relations with the European Union and its Member States as well as with the Member States of the European Free Trade Association (“EFTA”), the Agreement on the European Economic Area shall prevail over the COTIF in the event of any inconsistency between them. This is without prejudice to the object and purpose of the COTIF, and without prejudice to its full application to other parties to the COTIF that are not members of the European Union or of the EFTA.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Børge Brende