Dear Mme Gries,

Thanks for your response. It is a very short comment from the UK rail freight expert here regarding the paper (CIM1 4 Positions)

Of the two positions set out in the paper, the UK has more sympathy with CIT on the compensation levels [page 5] – there is considerable disparity of treatment between rail and road haulage, to road’s advantage, so bringing the rail rates down closer to the road rates would seem appropriate.

(I hope this will be a short-enough comment to allow easy translation into the 3 languages for the purposes of the meeting!).

Of course this doesn’t imply UK endorsement or non-endorsement of other views set out in the document.

Best wishes

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