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Renaming the APTU Annexes in force as Uniform Technical Prescriptions

(Document for CTE decision)

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At its 24th session (Berne, 23 to 25 June 2009), the Revision Committee adopted amendments to (among others) Appendix F (APTU) of the Convention.

In accordance with Article 35 §§ 2 and 3 of COTIF, these amendments entered into force on 1 December 2010.

In the amended version of APTU only one Annex now exists, which is referred to in Article 13, "Equivalence table". All other previous Annexes are now referred to as Uniform Technical Prescriptions (UTP).

As a consequence of these amendments, four APTU Annexes adopted at the 3rd session of the Committee of Technical Experts (Berne, 11 and 12 February 2009), which have been in force since 1 August 2010, will be renamed "Uniform Technical Prescriptions" and all references to APTU Annex(es) in these four regulations will also be changed to Uniform Technical Prescriptions (UTP)¹. These editorial changes will not have any effect on the legal validity of these documents.

Proposal for adoption by the Committee of Technical Experts:

1. The Committee of Technical Experts instructs the OTIF Secretariat to rename the following APTU Annexes adopted at the 3rd session of the Committee of Technical Experts (Berne, 11 and 12 February 2009) and in force since 1 August 2010:
 - Annex 1-A ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS to UTP GEN-A ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS,
 - Annex 1-C TECHNICAL FILE to UTP GEN-C TECHNICAL FILE
 - Annex 1-E ASSESSING ENTITY – QUALIFICATIONS AND INDEPENDENCE to UTP GEN-E ASSESSING ENTITY – QUALIFICATIONS AND INDEPENDENCE.
2. All references to APTU Annex(es) in these three regulations shall be changed to "Uniform Technical Prescriptions (UTP)".
3. The legal validity of these three regulations shall remain unaffected and the possibility of formulating an objection in accordance with Article 35 § 4 of the Convention after notification of these amendments shall not apply to these amendments.
4. As these amendments are only editorial the amended versions of these UTPs will enter into force on the day after the amendments have been notified to the Member States.

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¹ • Annex 1-B SUBSYSTEMS adopted at the 3rd session of the Committee of Technical Experts (Berne, 11 and 12 February 2009) will be amended (item 5.2 Amendment of the UTP GEN-B: DEFINITION OF SUBSYSTEMS). Renaming Annex 1-B as a "Uniform Technical Prescription" forms part of that amendment.