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## Amendments

to Annexes 2 and 7 of the Customs Convention  
on the International Transport of Goods under Cover of  
TIR Carnets (TIR Convention), concluded at  
Geneva on 14 November 1975

Geneva, 10 and 11 October 1991

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## AMENDMENTS<sup>1</sup>

### TO ANNEXES 2 AND 7 OF THE CUSTOMS CONVENTION ON THE INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT OF GOODS UNDER COVER OF TIR CARNETS (TIR CONVENTION)<sup>2</sup>

*Annex 7, part I, article 4, paragraph 11*

*Replace the existing text by the following wording:*

“11. At the openings in the sheet, used for loading and unloading, the two surfaces shall be joined together. The following systems can be used:

- (a) the two edges of the sheet shall have an adequate overlap. They shall also be fastened by:
  - (i) a flap sewn or welded in accordance with paragraphs 3 and 4 of this article;
  - (ii) rings and eyelets meeting the conditions of paragraph 8 of this article; the rings shall be manufactured of metal; and
  - (iii) a thong made of appropriate material, in one piece and unstretchable, at least 20 mm wide and 3 mm thick, passing through the rings and holding together the two edges of the sheet and the flap; the thong shall be secured inside the sheet and fitted either with:
    - an eyelet to take the rope mentioned in paragraph 9 of this article or
    - an eyelet which can be attached to a metal ring mentioned in paragraph 6 of this article and be secured by the rope mentioned in paragraph 9 of this article.

A flap shall not be required if a special device, such as a baffle plate, is fitted, which prevents access to the load compartment without leaving obvious traces.

- (b) A special locking system holding the edges of the sheets tightly locked when the load compartment is closed and sealed. The system shall be provided with an opening through which a metal ring mentioned in paragraph 6 of this article can pass and be secured by the rope mentioned in paragraph 9 of this article. Such a system is described in sketch No. 8 appended to this annex.

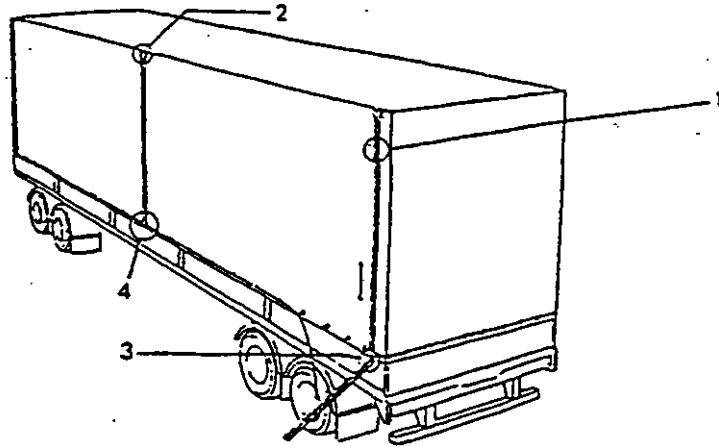
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<sup>1</sup> The Amendments were adopted by the Administrative Committee at its Fourteenth Session held at Geneva on 10 and 11 October 1991 in accordance with Article 59(2) of the Convention and circulated by the Secretary General of the United Nations on 21 January, 1992. They entered into force on 1 August 1992 in accordance with the provisions of Article 60 of the Convention.

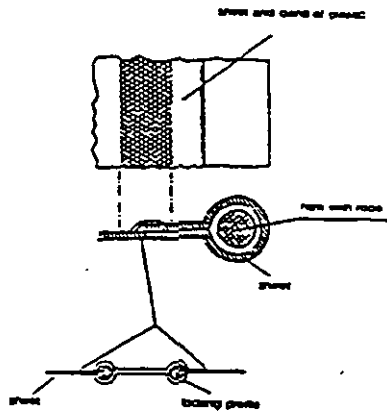
<sup>2</sup> Treaty Series No. 56 (1983), Cmnd. 9032.

Sketch No. 8

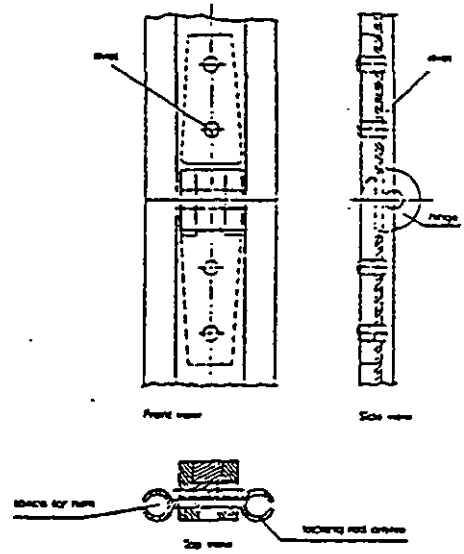
Sheet locking system at openings for loading and unloading



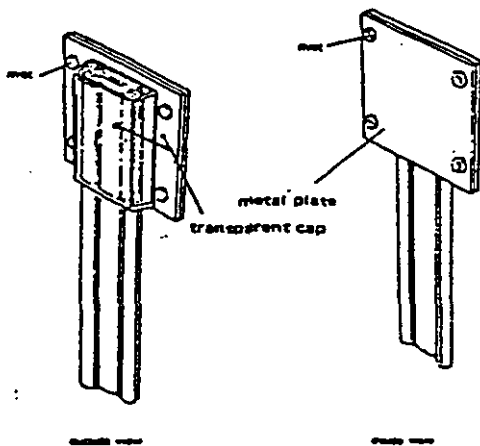
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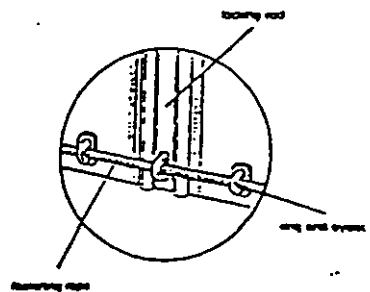
Sketch No.8.3



Sketch No.8.2



Sketch No.8.4



### *Description*

In this locking system the two edges at the openings in the sheet used for loading and unloading are united by means of an aluminium locking rod. The sheet openings are provided with a hem over its entire length enclosing a rope (see sketch No. 8.1). This makes it impossible to pull the sheet out of the locking rod's profile. The hem shall be on the outside and welded in accordance with annex 2, article 3, paragraph 4 of the Convention. The edges are to be passed into the open profiles on the aluminium locking rod and slid into two parallel longitudinal channels which should be closed at their lower end. When the locking rod is in its upper position the edges of the sheet are united. At the upper end of the opening the locking rod is stopped by a transparent plastic cap fixed by riveting to the sheet (see sketch No. 8.2). The locking rod consists of two sections, joined by a riveted hinge, to allow folding for easy fitting and removal. This hinge must be designed in such a way so as not to allow the removal of the swivel pin once the system is locked (see sketch No. 8.3). At the lower part of the locking rod is an opening through which the ring passes. The opening is oval and of a size just sufficient to allow the ring to pass through it (see sketch No. 8.4). The TIR fastening rope will be pulled through this ring to secure the locking rod."



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