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### **COMMUNICATION**

#### **WRITTEN PROCEDURE**

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Subject: **Written Procedure with reply by Tuesday 18 April 2023 at 10:00 CET (Brussels time) by email to land@consilium.europa.eu**

Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF):  
Common position at the 4th session of the OTIF Ad Hoc Committee on  
Legal Affairs and International Cooperation, 18-20 April 2023

- Approval
  - Start of the written procedure
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1. The 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the *ad hoc* Committee on Legal Affairs and International Cooperation of OTIF will take place from 18 to 20 April 2023 in Berne and per videoconference.
2. A draft common position was discussed in the working party on land transport on 29 March and 5 April 2023. The outcome of the deliberations was recorded in document ST 7918/23.

3. Considering the absence of meetings of the Permanent Representatives Committee and of the Council before the start of the OTIF meeting, in accordance with Article 12(1) of the Council's rules of procedure, the Presidency invites **all delegations** to **expressly state** if they agree:

- a) to make use of the written procedure for the approval of the Union position as set out in document ST 7918/23.

**Please answer by "YES" or "NO".**

- b) to approve the common position as set out in document ST 7918/23.

**Please answer by "YES" or "NO".**

The Commission is also invited to expressly state whether it agrees to the use of the written procedure.

Any unilateral statements should be made at the same time as answering the questions.

Replies must reach the General Secretariat of the Council by ten CET (Brussels time) on 18 April 2023 and should be sent by email to [land@consilium.europa.eu](mailto:land@consilium.europa.eu)

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