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IRU publicly releases evidence disproving once and for all FCS RF allegations of any old TIR debts

International Road Transport Union releases key documents disproving allegations made by Federal Customs Service of the Russian Federation concerning more than 4,000 cases of alleged old TIR debts to justify illegal TIR restrictions on Russian territory since July 2013.

The release of these documents follows a very clear judgment from the Moscow arbitration court on 13 February which had already recognised that the FCS RF allegations were not conform to the reality and defamatory.

While some of these cases date as far back as 1993, nearly half of them had never been reported to the IRU until November 2013 when the FCS RF finally sent an official letter containing lists of the alleged cases. Moreover, out of the more than 4,000 cases, only four recent cases are still pending a decision, which represents less than 0.1% of all cases reported to the IRU by the FCS RF.

The information concerning the status of each and every case listed by the FCS RF as well as concrete documentary evidence confirming the absence of any debt from the TIR guarantee chain will be open for public viewing at the premises of the law firm *"CMS VON ERLACH PONCET"* at the following address:

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The following documents are available for the public consultation:

- The list of cases of an alleged debt as transmitted by the FCS RF
- The detailed IRU analysis of the FCS RF list
- The files containing concrete documentary evidence for each individual case demonstrating the absence of debt from TIR guaranteeing chain

All files will be available from 3 March until 4 April 2014(inclusive) from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Those wishing to consult the documents are kindly requested to contact Ms Valérie BOCHET-MARCHAND, by phone (+41-22311 00 10), or by email (valerie.bochet-marchand@cms-vep.com), in order to get an appointment.

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