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Following communication from the Secretariat on March 25th regarding the latest discussions regarding the review of the so-called weights and dimensions' Directive, TF France would like to request further lobbying on two issues :

- An additional 500 mm on the length of trucks should not be limited to aerodynamic devices.
Allowing for longer bodies will improve air circulation and therefore reduce energy consumption of refrigeration units. Also, these additional 500 mm could also be partially allocated to enclosing refrigeration units, thereby improving both noise levels and energy consumption.
We fully support the fact that, in any case, the additional 500 mm should not be used for additional loads.
- The weight of batteries or eutectic plates must be discounted from the weight of vehicles in order not to impact loading capacity, electric and eutectic vehicles having a lower impact on the environment, as they don't use refrigerants.