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RESTRUCTURING OF THE REGULATIONS ANNEXED TO ADN**

Note by the secretariat

1. The Regulations annexed to the European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways (ADN), as conceived in their original version (ECE/TRANS/150), comprise six annexes (A, B.1, B.2, C, D.1 and D.2), some of which refer to the provisions of the European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR), rather than incorporating them. This is the case in particular of the list of dangerous goods.

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- 2. The references to Annexes A and B of ADR appearing in the Regulations annexed to ADN are references to marginals as they appeared in the amended version of ADR applicable as from 1 January 1999.
- 3. An important series of amendments to Annexes A and B of ADR came into force on 1 July 2001. In practice, these Annexes A and B were replaced by a complete restructuring of Annexes A and B set out in nine main parts, each divided into chapters, sections, sub-sections, etc. These amendments are accompanied by transitional measures which enable the provisions in force on 1 January 1999 to be applied until 31 December 2002, (with the exception of radioactive material for which the transitional period expires on 31 December 2001). It is therefore indispensable to revise the Regulations annexed to ADN accordingly to enable Governments already applying them to ensure that they are in accordance with the regulations applicable to road and rail transport (ADR and RID).
- 4. In addition, the Joint Meeting of the RID Safety Committee and the Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting) has prepared a new series of amendments to RID and ADR which should come into force on 1 January 2003 (documents TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/84, Add. 1 and 2 and TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/86, Add.1-3). These draft amendments incorporate in particular the new recommendations of the United Nations Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods as reflected in the twelfth revised edition of the United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (Model Regulations) (ST/SG/AC.10/1/Rev.12), which will also be included in amendment 31-02 to the IMDG Code. For the purposes of multimodal harmonization, the Regulations annexed to ADN thus need to be amended accordingly.
- 5. The Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR) has already restructured the Regulations for the Carriage of Dangerous Goods on the Rhine (ADNR) so as to ensure a structural concordance between RID, ADR and ADNR. This new structure should become applicable to navigation on the Rhine as from 1 January 2003.
- 6. In order to facilitate the work of restructuring the Regulations annexed to ADN, the secretariat has prepared a series of addenda to this document, containing a draft of the restructured annexed Regulations, taking into account:
 - (a) the work of CCNR on the restructuring of ADN;
 - (b) ADR (ECE/TRANS/140, Vols. I and II);
- (c) the work of the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting (TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/84/Add.1 and TRANS/WP.15/86/Add.1 to 3)
 - (d) the Regulations annexed to ADN (ECE/TRANS/150);
- (e) the draft amendments to the Regulations annexed to ADN adopted at the last session (TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/9/Add.1).

In principle, all amendments to the text of ADR or the Regulations annexed to ADN are indicated (the texts deleted have been struck through and the texts added have been underlined). Certain texts which do not correspond to those used for ADNR have been put in square brackets.

7. A table of concordance between paragraphs of the draft of the restructured annexed Regulations and those of the restructured ADR and the marginals of the Regulations annexed to ADN (of May 2000) will also be prepared.
