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REVISION OF CLASSIFICATION SYSTEMS USED IN TRANSPORT STATISTICS

Detailed presentation of a future subdivision of the NST/2000 classes

Submitted by the Government of Denmark

Note: In view of the interest of the Working Party to continue detailed discussion about the proposal made by the representatives of France and Poland for a future subdivision of the NST/2000 classes which would serve as a model for all UNECE countries, the Government of Denmark has prepared a document which is reproduced below.

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Comments on document TRANS/WP.6/2002/6 from Denmark

The proposed subdivisions by and large satisfy the Danish needs. The following are some suggestions to the proposal:

Group 01

There is a need for a separate Section 01.016 bis covering flowers and living plants (CPA 01.12.2).

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The Section 016 that covers "Others in CPA Group 01.1" is too heterogeneous as it includes, among others, straw and forage (01.11.6), oil seeds (01.11.3), cotton etc. (01.11.7), living plants, cut flowers etc (01.12.2).

A separate Section 01.019 bis covering raw milk from bovine cattle, sheep and goats (CPA 01.21.2 and CPA 01.22.2) and eggs (CPA 01214.2) is suggested. The Section 019 that covers "Others in CPA Group 01.2" is too heterogeneous as it includes among others raw milk (01.21.2), wool (01.22.3) and raw fur skins (01.25.3).

Group 02

The two sections covering solid products are suggested to be aggregated to one Section 021 "Solid mineral fuels and uranium ores" (CPA 10 and 12) as the transport of uranium ores is insignificant.

Group 03

Slag, as mentioned in the FR-PL proposal, is the outcome of the production of basic metal product and should rather be included in the CPA 27.10.9.

Group 04

The sections 048 and 049 (CPA 04.15.8 and CPA 04.16) should be aggregated to one section. The subdivision according to type of cargo or type of service should be avoided.

Group 07

Section 74 should be labelled "Other refined petroleum products".

Group 08

Section 81 should be labelled "Basic inorganic chemical products"
Section 83 includes liquid ammonia that is often used as fertilizer. Therefore, it is suggested to aggregate Section 83 and Section 84 to one Sector "Fertilizers and nitrogen compounds"

corresponding to CPA class 24.15.

Section 114, Section 115 and Section 116 may as well be aggregated to one Section "Radio, television and communication equipment and apparatus" as most transport will be of class 32.3 goods.

Group 12

Group 11

Section 121 and Section 122 may as well be aggregated to one Section "Transport equipment" as most transport will be of road vehicles.

Group 13

Section 132 should be labelled "Other manufactured goods n.e.c". It covers more than 36.2 namely also 36.3 - 36.6.

Group 14

No Danish needs for a subdivision of Group 14.

Group 16

Section 161 and Section 162 may as well be aggregated to one Section "Empty containers and swap bodies in service".

Section 163 and Section 164 may as well be aggregated to one Section "Palettes, boxes, crates and roll cages in service".

Group 17

Section 179 should be labelled "Other non-market goods n.e.c".

Group 19

Section 191 and Section 192 may as well be aggregated to one Section "Unidentifiable goods in containers and swap bodies".

Section 198 should be labelled "Unidentifiable goods in Ro-Ro units.

Section 199 should be labelled "Other unidentifiable goods".