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Agenda item 5 b): Proposals for amendments to RID/ADR/ADN – New proposals

Corrections to RID/ADR/ADN 2015

Proposal transmitted by the Secretariat of OTIF

Mercurous chloride

1. On the basis of an informal document (INF.11) which the United Kingdom submitted to the 40th session of the UN Sub-Committee of Experts (Geneva, 28 November to 7 December 2011), the Sub-Committee agreed that mercurous chloride should be carried as a substance of division 6.1, packing group III, but since it was not carried in significant quantities internationally, it should be classified under UN No. 2025, mercury compound, solid, n.o.s. Special provision 66 should be amended accordingly and an entry referring to UN No. 2025 should be included in the alphabetical index (see report ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/80, paragraph 14 and Annex I).

2. In the 17th edition of the UN Model Regulations, special provision 66 read as follows:

"66 Mercurous chloride and cinnabar are not subject to these Regulations."

The 2013 edition of RID/ADR/ADN and earlier editions did not contain this special provision. Instead, RID/ADR/ADN 2013 contained special provision 585, which read as follows:

"585 Cinnabar is not subject to RID/ADR/ADN."

3. Following the decision of the UN Sub-Committee of Experts, special provision 66 in the 18th edition of the UN Model Regulations was worded as follows:

"**66** Cinnabar is not subject to these Regulations."

In the context of harmonising RID/ADR/ADN with the 18th edition of the UN Model Regulations, special provision 66 was taken over in RID/ADR/ADN with the new wording and special provision 585 was deleted accordingly.

4. However, RID/ADR/ADN special provision 529 was not taken into account. The second sentence of this special provision says:

"Mercurous chloride (calomel) is a substance of Class 9 (UN number 3077)."

5. This contradicts the new information in Table B, according to which mercurous chloride is assigned to UN number 2025.

6. In Chapter 3.3, the last sentence of special provision 529 should read as follows:

"Mercurous chloride (calomel) is a substance of Class 6.1 (UN number 2025)."

2.2.51.1.7 (b) (iii) (concerns the German version only)

7. In 2.2.51.1.7 (b) (iii), amend "packing group II" to read:

"packing groups I and II".

The amendment instruction in the notification texts was not correctly transcribed in the consolidated German version.

2.2.52.1.17 (concerns ADR and ADN)

8. In the Note to 2.2.52.1.17, amend "Manual of Tests and Criteria, Part II, Chapter 20 and sub-section 28.4" to read:

"Manual of Tests and Criteria, Part II, Chapter 20 and test series E in sub-section 25.4".

In the UN Model Regulations, the corresponding reference in footnote 1 to 2.5.3.4.1 (b) reads as follows:

"As determined by test series E as prescribed in the Manual of Tests and Criteria, Part II."

6.2.2.4

9. In the Table, amend the heading of the last column, "applicable for manufacture", to read:

"applicable".

The amendment instruction in the notification texts was not correctly transcribed in the consolidated versions.

10. It is proposed that these corrections be published in a corrigendum to the 2015 edition of RID/ADR/ADN.