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COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

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WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Ammonium Nitrate Emulsions (ANE)

Proposal by the Chairman of the Working Group on ANE

As the expert of Spain has offered to host an intersessional informal working group to finalize the work on ammonium nitrate emulsions, intermediate for blasting explosives, to meet in Madrid, 18-20 April 2001^{*}, the Chairman of the Working Group proposes that the background documents for the Working Group should be:

- ST/SG/AC.10/2000/20 and -/Corr.1 as well as INF.9, INF.14, INF.18, INF.37, INF.41, INF.54 AND INF.72 presented at the twenty-first session of the Committee;
- Report from the twenty-first session in relation to the new provisions for ammonium nitrate emulsions, suspensions and gels;
- Any new documents containing results from tests relating to the proposed new Tests Series 8.

The terms of reference for the Working Group should be:

- To determine appropriate classification criteria;
- To prepare and evaluate new and existing test methods to better assess the explosive properties of such emulsions, suspensions and gels; and
- To propose conditions for carriage, in particular packagings, tanks or IBC's as appropriate for each type.

* <u>Note by the secretariat</u> : The deadline for submission of proposals to the July Sub-Committee is 12 April 2001.

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