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RESTRUCTURING OF RID/ADR

Part 1, definition of "horizontal trans-shipment container"

Proposal by the Government of Austria*

The secretariat has received from the Central Office for International Carriage by Rail (OCTI) the proposal reproduced below.

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Preliminary comment

In our opinion the definition concerns a particular type of container. It has therefore been given a place along with swap bodies and worded similarly. We prefer, instead of using the "ACTS" name, to employ a general term independent of a manufacturing or product name.

Proposal

Add the following sub-paragraph to the definition of "container" in 1.2.1:

"A horizontal trans-shipment container means a container with the following features:

- it is suitable for a conveyor system;
- it is equipped with two side-rails, one or more gripping/lifting devices in front and one or two rollers in the rear;
- it is fitted with devices enabling it to be secured to or locked on the means of transport."
