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RESTRUCTURING OF ADR - ANNEX B OF ADR PART 8 - REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING CARRIAGE

INCORPORATION OF FORMER MARGINAL 11 407 "PLACES OF LOADING AND UNLOADING" IN THE NEW S01 (4) IN CHAPTER 8.5

Transmitted by the Government of Norway

SUMMARY

Summary: The secretariat has proposed that the provisions regarding "Places

of loading and unloading" [11 407] will appear in Part 10 of the restructured ADR. The expert from Norway is of the opinion that this is better placed in Part 8. It would also be more logical to combine the former 11 407 with the text of the new S01 (4) in Chapter 8.5 to make a comprehensive text for all provisions

regarding loading and unloading.

Action: Move the provisions regarding "Places of loading and unloading"

from Part 10 to Part 8 and combine it with the text already adopted

in S01(4) for "Halts for operational requirements".

Related documents: TRANS/WP.15/157/Add.1.

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Introduction

During the sixty-sixth session of the Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, during the discussion on adopting the reformatted text of Part 12 (now Part 8), the Expert from Norway expressed the opinion that the provisions regarding "Places of loading and unloading" should be moved from Part 10 to Part 8. This was based on the argument that these are provisions more of an operational than regulatory nature. This will also make it possible to combine all operational provisions regarding loading and unloading of explosives in the same additional requirement. In the opinion of the Expert from Norway, this should be done by moving the provisions regarding "Places of loading and unloading" from Part 10 to Part 8, and combine the text with that of the new S01 (4) in Chapter 8.5.

Proposal:

Change the text of S01 (4) in Chapter 8.5 to read:

"(4) Places of loading and unloading

- (a) Loading or unloading of substances and articles of Class 1 shall not take place in a public place in a built-up area without special permission from the competent authorities;
- (b) Loading or unloading substances and articles of Class 1 in a public place elsewhere than in a built-up area shall not take place without prior notice thereof having been given to the competent authorities, unless these operations are urgently necessary for reasons of safety.
- (c) If, for any reason, handling operations have to be carried out in a public place, then substances and articles of different kinds shall be separated according to the labels.
- (d) When vehicles carrying substances and articles of Class 1 are obliged to stop for loading or unloading operations in a public place, a distance of at least 50 m shall be maintained between the stationary vehicles."

Justification

Safety: Safety will not be affected as this is an editorial change only.

Feasibility: All the provisions regarding requirements for loading and unloading operations

will be concentrated in provision.

Enforceability: This will be more user-friendly from the point of enforcement since all relevant

provisions will be found in the same "additional requirement".
