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Working Party on the Transport
of Dangerous Goods

Joint Meeting of the RID Safety Committee
and the Working Party on the Transport
of Dangerous Goods
(Bern, 28 May – 1 June 2001)

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE SESSION*

to be held at the headquarters of the Universal Postal Union (UPU),
4, Weltpoststrasse, Bern,
starting at 10.30 a.m. on Monday, 28 May 2001

1. Election of officers
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Working methods and other general matters

*/ See letter A 81-02/501.2001 of 30 March 2001 from the Central Office for International Carriage by Rail (OCTI).

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4. Proposals concerning Part 1 of RID/ADR
5. Proposals concerning Part 2 of RID/ADR
6. Proposals concerning Part 3 of RID/ADR
7. Proposals concerning Part 5 of RID/ADR
8. Proposals concerning Part 7 of RID/ADR and Parts 8 and 9 of ADR
9. Proposals concerning packagings (other than for Class 2)
10. Proposals concerning gas receptacles and tanks for gases
11. Proposals concerning tanks (other than for Class 2)
12. Miscellaneous
13. Future work
14. Adoption of the report.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Provisional timetable

Monday a.m: Items 1, 2, 3, 4
p.m: Items 4, 5, 6 (a)

Tuesday a.m: Items 6 (a), 6 (b), 6 (c), 7 (a)
p.m: Items 7 (b), 7 (c), 7 (d), 8

Wednesday a.m: Item 9
p.m: Item 10 (a)

Thursday a.m: Item 10 (b)
p.m: Items 11 to 13

Friday p.m: Item 14.

1. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

In accordance with established practice, the Joint Meeting should elect a Chairman and a Vice-Chairman for 2001.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

After the election of the officers, the first item of the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda.

3. WORKING METHODS AND OTHER GENERAL MATTERS

The Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods has adopted rules concerning its working methods and has requested that these rules be also applicable to the proceedings of the Joint Meeting.

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/1999/17 (UN/ECE)

The Government of Switzerland has also submitted a document concerning procedures for references to standards (TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/27) which the Joint Meeting may wish to discuss under agenda item 9.

In document TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2000/17, the Government of Germany raised the problem of iron scraps contaminated with radioactive material.

4. PROPOSALS CONCERNING PART 1 OF RID/ADR

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/12 (CEFIC)	Interpretation of transitional measures
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/1999/20 (Netherlands)	
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/16 (EIGA)	1.1.3.1 (Exemptions)
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/30 (Germany)	
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/31 (Germany)	
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/20 (UN/ECE secretariat)	Harmonization with the UN Model Regulations
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/35 (Germany)	1.8.5 (Report of the working group on accidents/incidents)

5. PROPOSALS CONCERNING PART 2 OF RID/ADR

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/5 (Norway)	2.2.1.1.7 (Glossary)
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/21 (UN/ECE secretariat)	Harmonization with the UN Model Regulations

6. PROPOSALS CONCERNING PART 3 OF RID/ADR

(a) General	
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/22 (UN/ECE secretariat)	Harmonization with the UN Model Regulations
(b) Chapter 3.3	
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/6 (CEFIC, CEPE)	Special Provision 640

	TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/10 (CEFIC)	UN No. 2478, special provision 539
(c)	Chapter 3.4	
	TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/1 (Austria)	Limited quantities in overpacks
	TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2000/5 */ (Switzerland)	Ambiguities
	TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2000/7 */ (UN/ECE secretariat)	

7. PROPOSALS CONCERNING PART 5 OF RID/ADR

(a)	Harmonization with the UN Model Regulations	
	TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/24 (UN/ECE secretariat)	
(b)	Chapters 5.1 and 5.2	
	TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/1999/14 (Austria)	Size of labels (5.2.2.2)
	TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2000/18 (AEGPL)	Labels for Class 2
	TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/7 (Austria)	Labelling of overpacks
	TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/19 (EIGA)	Marking and labelling of overpacks
	TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/15 (EIGA)	ISO 7225
(c)	Chapter 5.3	
	TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2000/21 (FIATA)	Report of the Working Group
	TRANS/WP.15/AC.1//2001/29 (Switzerland/ Liechtenstein)	Multi-compartment tanks

*/ The proposal by Switzerland was rejected by the Joint Meeting at its spring 2000 session (TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/80, para. 130 and 131). The Joint Meeting considered nevertheless that the ambiguities noted by the representative of Switzerland could, if necessary, be dealt with at a later stage. In the absence of any new proposal from Switzerland concerning these ambiguities, the secretariat has included these documents again in the agenda.

(d) Chapter 5.4

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/8 (FIATA)

«RID» or «ADR» mention in the transport document (5.4.1.1)

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/9 (FIATA)

General informations in the transport document (5.4.1.1)

8. PROPOSALS CONCERNING PART 7 OF RID/ADR AND PARTS 8 AND 9 OF ADR

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/26 (UN/ECE secretariat)

Harmonization with the UN Model Regulations

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/1999/16 (FIATA)

Chapter 7.1 (Segregation of explosives)

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/4 (Germany)

Chapter 7.2 (UN Nos. 1211 and 3314)

9. PROPOSALS CONCERNING PACKAGINGS (OTHER THAN FOR CLASS 2)

(a) Chapter 4.1

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/23
(UN/ECE secretariat)

Harmonization with the UN Model Regulations

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2000/19 (Austria)

Transport of IBCs after expiration of the date of periodic test

(b) Chapters 6.1, 6.3, 6.5 and 6.6

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/25
(UN/ECE secretariat)

Harmonization with the UN Model Regulations

10. PROPOSALS CONCERNING GAS RECEPTACLES AND TANKS FOR GASES

(a) Chapters 4.1 and 6.2

NOTE : Document TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/2 (AEGPL) has been withdrawn.

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/32 (EIGA)

Harmonization with the UN Model Regulations (Chapter 4.1)

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/28 (Germany)	Packing Instruction P200 for substances of classes other than Class 2
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/33 (EIGA)	Harmonization with the UN Model Regulations (Chapter 6.2)
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/1998/43 (France)	Filling checks
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/1998/46 (France)	Cryogenic receptacles
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2000/13 (Germany)	Periodicity of inspections for acetylene cylinders
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2000/15 (EIGA)	Acetylene cylinders
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2000/22 (CEN)	Openings of pressure drums (6.2.1.3)
(b) Chapters 4.3, 6.7 and 6.8	
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/34 (EIGA)	Harmonization with the UN Model Regulations
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/11 (CEN)	Reference to standards (6.8.5.2)
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/13 (AEGPL)	Safety valves (6.8.3.2.8, 6.8.3.2.9)
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/17 (EIGA)	Spherical tanks, minimum wall thickness (6.8. 2.1.17)
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/18 (EIGA)	Leakproofness tests (6.8.3.4.9)

11. PROPOSALS CONCERNING TANKS (OTHER THAN FOR CLASS 2)

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/3 (Germany)	Equivalent wall thickness formula for tank-containers
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/14 (Germany)	Report on the meeting of the working group on tanks (Berlin, 24-26 January 2001)

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/37 (UIP)

Use of tanks (Chapter 4.3)

TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2001/36 (France)

Leakproofness test for tanks
(6.8.2.4.3)

12. MISCELLANEOUS

No document has been submitted under this agenda item.

13. FUTURE WORK

During the session, the secretariat will put forward proposals concerning this agenda item.

14. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

In accordance with the established practice, the Joint Meeting may wish to adopt the report of the session on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat.
