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Illustration of intermediate packagings used in excepted quantities, referring to ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2012/73 - (ICCA) Excepted Quantity provisions regarding the use of absorbent material and marking

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Introduction

- 1. This document provides examples/pictures of intermediate packagings used in excepted quantities. These intermediate packagings remain as a complete package with the user e.g. a dentist. The pictures show the inner package apart from the intermediate packaging, which, for transport, was placed in a strong fibreboard box, together with cushioning material.
- 2. The pictures show clearly that it is not only difficult but also impractical for the customers to place absorbent material in the intermediate packaging.
- 3. Additionally, ICCA is of the opinion that putting the absorbent material in the outer packaging instead of in the intermediate packaging, does not affect safety. Indeed, as these packages, containing only max 30 ml or 30 mg, do not require a specific orientation during transport it can happen that the absorbent material is located on top of a leaking inner packaging. Putting the absorbent material in the outer packaging is in this case providing an even greater safety level.
- 4. The samples will also be available during the meeting.



Picture 1



Picture 3



Picture 5



Picture 2



Picture 4



Picture 6