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Second session Geneva, 19–20 April 2012 Item 1 of the provisional agenda Adoption of the agenda

Annotated (revised) provisional agenda for the second session^{1,2}

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva starting at 14.00 p.m. on Thursday, 19 April 2012 in Room VIII

I. Provisional agenda

- 1. Adoption of the agenda.
- Results of the first session of the Group of Experts for the revision of the IMO/ILO/UNECE Guidelines for Packing of Cargo Transport Units.
 - (a) Report of the 1st session meeting
 - (b) Revised inception report
- 3. Updates on the 1st draft of the Code of Practice (COP).
 - (a) Development of the 1st draft of the Code of Practice;

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For reasons of economy, delegates are requested to bring copies of all relevant documents to the session. There will be no documentation available in the conference room. Before the session, documents may be downloaded from the UNECE Transport Division's website www.unece.org/trans/wp24/guidelinespackingctus/documents.html.

(b) Discussion and presentation of the various sections of the 1st draft of the Code of Practice.

- 4. Other business.
- 5. Date and venue of next meetings.
- Decisions and follow-up.

II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the agenda

The first item to be considered by the Group of Experts³ is the adoption of the agenda

Documentation: Informal document EG GPC No. 1 (2012)

2. Results of the first session of the Group of Experts for the revision of the IMO/ILO/UNECE Guidelines for Packing of Cargo Transport Units.

The Group of Experts will be informed on the results of the first session of the Group of Experts for the revision of the IMO/ILO/UNECE Guidelines for Packing of CTUs, and the main changes in the 2^{nd} Inception Report.

The Group may wish to consider the Report of the 1st Session of the Group of Experts which took place 6-7 October 2011, as well as the 2nd Inception Report. Both documents were circulated at the end of 2011 for comments and consideration and where thereafter considered adopted by the group.

Documentation: Informal document EG GPC No. 10 (2011),

Informal document EG GPC No. 2 (2012)

3. Updates on the 1st draft of the Code of Practice (COP).

The Group of Experts will be informed on the preparation of the 1st draft of the Code of Practice and will discuss key issues related to the preparation of the draft and methodology used, together with a discussion of each of the sections of the Code of Practice and any foreseeable changes in the methodology for the upcoming 2nd draft including the time schedule for the preparation and finalization of the Code of Practice.

The Group of Experts may wish to consider the 1st draft of the Code of Practice which will be circulated in mid March 2012. The Group may also wish to propose further development ideas, technical guidance/input and discuss in detail some of the chapters content during the discussion of the information within the different sections of the Code of Practice.

This report will be made available to the participants before the session.

³ Delegates may access the Terms of Reference of the Group of Experts (Informal document No. 3 (2011)-Revision 1) and the Mandates of UNECE, ILO and IMO (Informal document No. 2 (2011)) in the dedicated website for the Group of Experts:

http://www.unece.org/trans/wp24/guidelinespackingctus/documents.html

Documentation: Informal document EG GPC No.3 (2012), Informal document EG GPC No.4 (2012), Informal document EG GPC No.5 (2012), Informal document EG GPC No.6 (2012), Informal document EG GPC No.7 (2012), Informal document EG GPC No.8 (2012), Informal document EG GPC No.9 (2012)

4. Other business

The Group of Experts may wish to discuss any other relevant issue.

5. Dates and venue of next meetings

The secretariat will inform the Group of Experts about the proposed dates of its meetings in 2012 to be held at the Palais des Nations in Geneva.

Documentation: Informal document EG GPC No.10 (2012)

6. Decisions and follow-up

The chair will summarize the decisions taken by the Group of Experts at its second session and propose responsibilities for follow-up activities in the revision of the guidelines for consideration and approval by the Group of Experts. The provision of substantive assistance from Governments and industry groups is appreciated to speed up work and to ensure that the expertise of all stakeholders can be harnessed and made profit of.

III. Tentative timetable

Thursday, 19 April 2012	14.00 – 17.30	Items 1 - 3
Friday, 20 April 2012	09.30 – 12.30	Item 3
	14.00 – 17.30	Items 4 - 6