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**PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO ANNEXES A AND B OF ADR**

Transport document, marginal 2002 (3)(a)

Transmitted by the Government of Germany

Summary

Executive summary:	This proposal is mainly aimed at simplifying the information to be entered in the transport document
Action to be taken:	Modification of sub-paragraph 5.4.1.1.1 of ADR
Related documents:	TRANS/WP.15/159/Add.4

Introduction

Any carriage of dangerous goods must be accompanied by a transport document containing information as required in Chapter 5.4 of ADR (see TRANS/WP.15/159/Add.4).

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In a number of cases, part or all of the information required cannot be justified from the safety point of view; there is, however, considerable work involved, in particular for the driver of the vehicle.

The Government of Germany therefore suggests that Chapter 5.4 be amended thus simplifying its practical implementation:

- The transport document relating to the load previously carried may be used for uncleaned empty tanks ;
- Deletion of the information on the consignee;
- Deletion of the information on the total quantity in cases where the quantity limits according to [marginal 10 011] are exceeded.

### Proposal

1. Sub-paragraph 5.4.1.1(1) should be amended as follows:

Letter i) should be deleted.

2. The note under letter g) should be numbered Note 1 and a second Note 2 should be inserted as follows:

“Note 2: The total quantity need not be indicated if [marginal 10 011] is not applied.”

3. A new special provision should be added for the transport of uncleaned empty tanks as follows:

“5.4.1.1.12 Special provision for uncleaned empty tanks

For the carriage of uncleaned empty tanks, the transport document of the load previously carried may be used.”

### Justification

The above-mentioned proposals are intended to simplify the information to be entered in the transport document thus bringing it into line with practical requirements. In particular, unnecessary information should be dispensed with.

Individual modifications:

Ad 1:

Information on the consignee is contained in other accompanying documents. To include information on the consignee in the ADR transport document would not result in any additional safety, in particular, since the consignee does not have any responsibility during the transport operation proper. This unnecessary information may therefore be dispensed with.

Ad 2:

Particulars of the total quantity are only required so as to make it possible to check whether the limited quantities set out in [marginal 10 011] are exceeded. Where the limited quantities according to [marginal 10 011] are exceeded, it will not be necessary to indicate the total quantity.

Ad 3:

Uncleaned empty tanks present more or less the same risks as filled ones. They contain residual quantities of the cargo previously carried. It is therefore justifiable from the safety point of view to permit the use of the previous transport document.

This means considerable simplification of the work of the driver.

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