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1. Introduction

During the session of the RID/ADR Joint Meeting held in Bern from 24 to 28 March 2003, it was decided to introduce security provisions in ADR, RID and ADN (point 35 of the preliminary report TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2003/CRP.1). The ECE Secretariat suggested that it would be preferable to discuss any fundamental problems, related to this subject and specific only to ADR, during the May meeting of WP.15 on the basis of informal documents (point 46 of the preliminary report).

2. Problems

- 2.1. As was already pointed out during the discussion in the RID/ADR Joint Meeting, a number of security provisions already exist in ADR and RID. The most elaborate ones are the requirements concerning the supervision of vehicles of chapters 8.4 and 8.5 (ADR only). These requirements are neither in line with the security provisions of the accepted new chapter 1.4 in the UN Model Regulations, nor with those proposed in INF 25 of the last RID/ADR Joint Meeting (a lot of transports of high consequence dangerous goods are not envisaged by chapters 8.4 and 8.5). It is obvious that this would lead to completely illogical situations, incomprehensible to the users.
- 2.2 The RID/ADR Joint Meeting clearly was of the opinion that all security provisions are to be put together in a special chapter (point 45 of the preliminary report). This means that chapter 8.4 has to be transferred to this new chapter.

3. Proposals

- 3.1 Decide in principle that all high consequence dangerous goods will be subject to the provisions of chapter 8.4 (*the list of high consequence dangerous goods still needs to be discussed in detail in the RID/ADR Joint Meeting*).
- 3.2 Transfer chapter 8.4 to chapter 1.x (as paragraph 1.x.1.4) and consequently renumber paragraphs 1.x.1.4 and 1.x.1.5.
- 3.3 Insert “corresponding to the requirements of 1.x.1.3” after the words “vehicle park” in the new 1.x.1.4 (a) and (b).

3.4 Consequential amendments :

- introduce the word “(Reserved)” in chapter 8.4 ;
- replace “Chapter 8.4” by “Paragraph 1.x.1.4” in S1 and S14 to S21 in chapter 8.5 ;
- insert “1.x and” before “8.1” in the first alinea of chapter 8.5 and in the explanation of column (19) in 3.2.1.

Note : In a second stage, it has to be examined to which substances, other than high consequence dangerous goods, the provisions concerning the supervision of vehicles still need to apply.
