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Listing, classification and packing**Combination packagings – additional outer packagings****Transmitted by the expert from Germany¹****Introduction**

1. If drums or jerricans are used as outer packagings of combination packagings, drums and jerricans with removable head have to be used. For the transport of dangerous goods in small amounts, small packages are applied. It is possible that the diameter of the drum or the dimensions of the jerrican is less than 70 mm. In this case, the diameter of the maximum opening is less than 70 mm and it is a packaging with a non-removable head. Packagings with a non-removable head are not allowed as outer packagings of a combination packaging. This limitation to drums and jerricans with removable head is not due to safety reasons, but it probably was not realized that there might be a need for such small outer packagings as usually larger amounts of dangerous goods are transported.

2. It is proposed to allow the use of drums and jerricans with non-removable heads as outer packagings of combination packagings in several packing instructions. This will avoid administrative effort caused by approvals on the basis of exemptions.

¹ In accordance with the programme of work of the Sub-Committee for 2009–2010 approved by the Committee at its fourth session (refer to ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/68, para. 118 (b) and ST/SG/AC.10/36, para. 14).

Proposal

3. Whenever the codes 1A2, 1B2, 1N2, 1H2, 3A2, 3B2 or 3H2 are indicated for drums or jerricans permitted as outer packagings of combination packagings in the packing instructions of Chapter 4.1, insert the codes 1A1, 1B1, 1N1, 1H1, 3A1, 3B1 or 3H1 as appropriate and delete the words “removable head” if relevant (applies to packing instructions P001, P002, P010, P110(a), P111, P112(a), P112(b), P112(c), P113, P114(a), P114(b), P115, P116, P130, P131, P134, P135, P136, P137, P138, P139, P140, P141, P142, P143, P144, P400, P403, P404, P410, P501, P502, P503, P504, P520, P600, P601, P602, P800, P802 and P804).
