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Miscellaneous proposals for amendments to the Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods: terminology

Proposal to amend the definition “Large salvage packaging” in section 1.2.1

Transmitted by the expert from Romania

1. The current proposal is the result of the discussions held in the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting with regard to the definition of the *Large salvage packaging*.
2. The definition was proposed as an amendment to RID/ADR/ADN, according to paragraph 10 of ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2013/31/Add.1, and the Romanian delegation expressed some concerns with regard to the wording in this definition in paragraphs 6-9 of the informal document INF. 38, submitted at the last session of the Joint Meeting (September 2013). As a result of the debates, the Joint Meeting considered that, if the representative of Romania wished to amend the definition given in the Model Regulations, she should address herself in the first instance to the United Nations Sub-Committee of Experts.
3. The definition *Large salvage packaging*, as currently worded, does not include in its scope non-conforming dangerous goods packages. It thus excludes from its scope this kind of packages, creating an imbalance with the definition of the *Salvage packaging*. We do not think that this was the intention of the Sub-committee, and we wish to add a reference to non-conforming dangerous goods packages in the *Large salvage packaging* definition.
4. Furthermore, in order to clarify the wording used in both definitions, and to prevent confusion, we think that an addition to the *Salvage packaging* definition is needed, in order to exclude *Large salvage packagings* from its scope.

Proposal

5. Amend the last part of the definition “*Large salvage packaging*”, as follows (stricken out text is deleted, bold underlined text is added):

“into which damaged, defective, ~~or~~ leaking **or non-conforming** dangerous goods packages, or dangerous goods that have spilled or leaked are placed for purposes of carriage for recovery or disposal;”.
6. Amend the definition “*Salvage packaging*”, as follows:

Salvage packaging means a special packaging into which damaged, defective, leaking or non-conforming dangerous goods packages, or dangerous goods that have spilled or leaked, are placed for purposes of transport for recovery or disposal. **Large salvage packagings are not included.**