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#### Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

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Item 4 of the provisional agenda

##### Interpretation of RID/ADR/ADN

### Interpretation of RID/ADR 7.5.2.1 (mixed loading prohibitions)

#### Proposal transmitted by Germany<sup>1, 2</sup>

##### *Summary*

<b>Executive summary:</b>	Interpretation of RID/ADR 7.5.2.1
<b>Action to be taken:</b>	Addition to RID/ADR 7.5.2.1, if necessary.
<b>Related documents:</b>	None.

## Introduction

1. In Germany, the question has arisen as to whether RID/ADR 7.5.2.1 should be interpreted to mean that for packages containing substances and articles of Class 1, only the main hazard need be taken into account for the mixed loading prohibitions and only 7.5.2.2 applies. This would mean that mixed loading would be possible insofar as mixed loading is allowed according to Table 7.5.2.2 for each of the compatibility groups and the subsidiary risk would not be of any significance.

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<sup>1</sup> In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2014–2015 (ECE/TRANS/240, para. 100, ECE/TRANS/2014/23, cluster 9, para.9.2).

<sup>2</sup> Circulated by the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) under the symbol OTIF/RID/RC/2015/2.

## **Proposal**

2. If the Joint Meeting shares this view, Germany proposes that the following sentence be added to RID/ADR 7.5.2.1:

"For packages bearing a label conforming to models Nos. 1, 1.4, 1.5 or 1.6, only the requirements of 7.5.2.2 shall apply, irrespective of any other danger labels shown in column (5) of Table A of Chapter 3.2."

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