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

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Item 5 (b) of the provisional agenda

**Proposals for amendments to the Regulations annexed to ADN:  
Other proposals**

### Proposal to amend 7.2.4.25.5

Transmitted by the Governments of the Netherlands and France<sup>1</sup>

#### *Summary*

**Executive summary:** Follow-up on the initial proposals made during the August 2015 ADN Safety Committee meeting

**Action to be taken:** See paragraph 6.

**Related documents:** ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2015/18,  
ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/56, paras. 16 and 17

#### Introduction

1. At the 27<sup>th</sup> session of the ADN Safety Committee (August 2015), the Netherlands submitted for consideration document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2015/18, which contained a national (Dutch) interpretation relating to 7.2.4.25.5.

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<sup>1</sup> Distributed in German by the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine under the symbol CCNR-ZKR/ADN/WP.15/AC.2/2016/24.

2. The Dutch proposal intended to also apply the provisions of the current 7.2.4.25.5 in the case where the previous cargo also required a "closed type vessel" according to column (7) of Table C of Chapter 3.2.
3. In its report ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/56, paras. 16 and 17, the Committee asked the Netherlands and France to submit a proposal for an amendment to 7.2.4.25.5 of the Regulations annexed to ADN.
4. As an additional remark, it is to be noted that column (7) of Table C of Chapter 3.2 deals with cargo tank design and does not deal with vessels, and that the wording "closed type vessel" is incorrectly used.

## Proposed amendments

5. The proposed amendments takes into account the remark in paragraph 4 above, and the Dutch proposal contained in document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2015/18 (deleted text is struck through, **additional text is in bold underlined**):

"7.2.4.25.5 The gas/air mixtures shall be returned ashore through a vapour return piping during loading operations when:

- a closed ~~type vessel~~ **cargo tank** is required according to column (7) of Table C of Chapter 3.2;

**or**

- **a closed cargo tank according to column (7) of Table C of Chapter 3.2 was required for the previous cargo and the cargo tank is not gas free after unloading the previous cargo.**

## Follow-up

6. The Safety Committee is invited to consider the proposals in paragraph 5 above, and to take action as it deems appropriate.
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