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Global harmonization of transport of dangerous goods regulations with the Model Regulations

Name and description of UN 3363

Submitted by the expert of Germany

Introduction

1. At its fiftieth session, the Sub-Committee accepted new provisions concerning the carriage of articles containing dangerous goods, not otherwise specified. The Joint meeting ad hoc Working Group on the Harmonization of RID/ADR/ADN with the UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, meeting from the 25 to 27 April 2017 in Geneva, noted that, according to the NOTE under the title of 2.0.5 of the Model Regulations, articles containing dangerous goods within the permitted limited quantity amounts specified in column (7a) of Table A of Chapter 3.2 of ADR/RID/ADN could be carried under UN No. 3363 as indicated in special provision 301 of the Model Regulations, as “dangerous goods in machinery” or “dangerous goods in apparatus”.

2. Although, such machinery and apparatus are currently not subject to RID/ADR/ADN as they are exempted by 1.1.3.1 (b), the Working Group felt that, since new entries had been added in the Dangerous Goods List for articles containing dangerous goods, n.o.s., UN No. 3363 should be regulated and Paragraph 1.1.3.1 (b) could be deleted. All possible provisions concerning UN No. 3363 were placed between square brackets for final decision by the Joint Meeting, including a draft transitional provision related to the deletion of 1.1.3.1 (b).

3. The working group proposes the following Text for ADR/RID/ADN 2019:

[2.1.5 Add the following new section 2.1.5 and renumber existing 2.1.5 as 2.1.6:

“2.1.5 Classification of articles as articles containing dangerous goods, N.O.S.

NOTE: For articles which do not have an existing proper shipping name and which contain only dangerous goods within the permitted limited quantity amounts specified in Column (7a) of Table A of Chapter 3.2, see UN No. 3363 and special provisions 301 and 672 of Chapter 3.3.

2.1.5.1 Articles containing dangerous goods may be classified as otherwise provided by RID/ADR/ADN under the proper shipping name for the dangerous goods they contain or in accordance with this section.

*For the purposes of this section “article” means machinery, apparatus or **other devices** containing one or more dangerous goods (or residues thereof) that are an integral element of the article, necessary for its functioning and that cannot be removed for the purpose of carriage.*

An inner packaging shall not be an article.]

4. The representative of Germany noted that the proper shipping name for UN No. 3363: "DANGEROUS GOODS IN MACHINERY or DANGEROUS GOODS IN APPARATUS" should be extended to "**or DANGEROUS GOODS IN DEVICES**" to be in line with the new 2.1.5.1 which defines for the new entries for articles "article" as "machinery, apparatus or **other devices**". However, the working group was of the opinion that this should be decided beforehand by the United Nations Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and requested Germany to propose the change of the name.

A discussion and if possible decision before the final decision in the Joint meeting in September would be helpful

Proposal

5. It is proposed to amend the name and description of UN 3363 in column (2) as follows:

"DANGEROUS GOODS IN MACHINERY or DANGEROUS GOODS IN APPARATUS or DANGEROUS GOODS IN DEVICES"
