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PHYSICAL HAZARDS

Desensitized explosives

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1. Introduction

During their last meetings the Sub-Committees TDG and GHS agreed that desensitized explosives – although addressed under transport regulations – currently are not addressed appropriately in the GHS.

The Sub-Committees have accepted the offer from the expert from Germany to convene an intersessional working group that is supposed to make proposals how to solve the issue of desensitized explosives.

2. Proposal

This document proposes the following terms of reference for the working group. The Sub-Committee GHS is invited to agree them.

Scope: Classification of desensitized explosives

Tasks:

1. To develop a classification scheme suitable to classify desensitized explosives in part 2 of the GHS
2. To develop a proposal for suitable hazard communication elements for desensitized explosives

Delegations in both Sub-Committees are invited to show their interest to work in the intersessional working group which the expert from Germany offers to host.
