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of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways (ADN)  
(ADN Safety Committee)

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**SPECIAL AUTHORIZATIONS, DEROGATIONS AND EQUIVALENTS**

**Proposed decision by the Administrative Committee**

**Section 1.5.3 - Equivalents and derogations**

**Submitted by the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR)<sup>1,2</sup>**

**SUMMARY**

**Summary:** Under ADN 1.5.3.1, equivalents for a vessel are accepted if they are in keeping with the recommendations of the Administrative Committee. A number of vessels in service benefit from the recommendations made under ADNR by CCNR.

**Action to be taken:** Ratify the recommendations made by CCNR.

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<sup>2</sup> In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2006-2010 (ECE/TRANS/166/Add.1, programme activity 02.7 (b)).

### **Introduction**

1. Under ADN 1.5.3.1, a competent authority may agree to the use or the presence on board of other materials, installations or equipment or the adoption of other construction measures or other fixtures than those required by ADN if, in line with recommendations established by the Administrative Committee, they are accepted as equivalent.
2. This procedure copies the one in ADNR, where it is CCNR that issues the recommendations.
3. Since the inception of ADNR, CCNR has issued recommendations; those that are still relevant are listed in informal document INF.3.

### **Proposal**

4. In order for the vessels in service that benefit from the recommendations to continue to be operated under ADN, the Administrative Committee must declare that the recommendations issued by CCNR under ADNR are valid also under ADN.

### **Consequential amendments**

5. None.

### **Justification**

6. The decision of the Administrative Committee will make it possible for vessels benefiting from a recommendation issued by CCNR to continue to operate under the scope of ADN.

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