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(ADN Safety Committee)

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CATALOGUE OF QUESTIONS

Report of the informal working group on the catalogue of questions

Transmitted by the Government of Germany^{1,2}

1. In order to increase the safety of the transport of dangerous goods, vessels transporting such goods must have an expert on board. The expert must be able to demonstrate specialized knowledge of dangerous goods transport. Under Chapter 8.2 of the Regulations annexed to ADN, the ADN Administrative Committee is required to establish a catalogue of questions covering the objectives set out in 8.2.2.3.1.1 to 8.2.2.3.1.3 of the annexed Regulations.

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² 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)).

2. At the fourteenth session of the ADN Safety Committee, it was decided that an informal “catalogue of questions” group should elaborate, manage and update such a catalogue and submit it to the Safety Committee. Since the fourteenth session, the informal working group has held two meetings, at which the list of multiple-choice questions for the specialization course on gases and chemicals (8.2.2.7.2) used in the context of ADN was revised and adapted to be consistent with the Regulations annexed to ADN. The examination questions for the basic training courses (8.2.2.7.1) had already been brought up to date in December 2008. The updated questions have been transmitted to the ECE secretariat by the CCNR secretariat.

3. The models attached to the list of questions have also been revised and will be submitted to the Safety Committee in a separate document. The Safety Committee will be requested to decide whether the list of questions and models should be accompanied by additional information to ensure uniform examination conditions.

4. In view of the amount of work needed on the multiple-choice questions, consideration of the substantive questions referred to in 8.2.2.7.2.4 has not been possible to date. An additional meeting of the informal working group will be held for this purpose on 9 and 10 November 2009 in Strasbourg.

5. The questions are contained in the following documents:

General	ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2009/12 and 13
Dry cargo vessels	ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2009/14 and 15
Tank vessels	ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2009/16 and 17
Chemicals	ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2009/21, 22, 24, 25 and 26
Gases	ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2009/23, 34, 35, 36, 37 and 38
