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Proposals for amendments to Annexes A and B of ADR: miscellaneous proposals

Reference to the IMO/ILO/UNECE Code of Practice for Packing of Cargo Transport Units (CTUs)

Note by the secretariat¹

1. The Working Party at its ninety-fifth session, noted that the Group of Experts for the revision of the IMO/ILO/UNECE Guidelines for Packing of Cargo Transport Units had finalized the draft Code of Practice. It would be submitted to the Inland Transport Committee for approval in February 2014 and to the competent bodies of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the International Labour Organization (ILO).
2. The Working Party asked the secretariat to reproduce the draft code in a document for its next session, so that it could take note of it and decide whether to include a reference to the relevant chapters of the Code in section 7.5.7 of ADR.
3. This Code has now been submitted to the Inland Transport Committee for endorsement at its seventy-sixth session (25-27 February 2014) under item 4(f) of the provisional agenda (Strategic question of a sectorial nature: intermodal transport and logistics) (Document ECE/TRANS/2014/17 and informal document ITC (2014) No.7).
4. It has also been submitted to the IMO Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) for approval at its 93rd session (14-23 May 2014) as document MSC 93/9/1, and should be submitted to the ILO Governing Body for approval at its 322nd meeting, Geneva, 30 October-13 November 2014.

¹ The present document is submitted in accordance with paragraph 1 (c) of the terms of reference of the Working Party, as contained in document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/190/Add.1, which provides a mandate to “develop and update the European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR)”.

5. As requested by the Working Party, the secretariat has reproduced the draft code as informal document INF.3. The Working Party may wish consider whether it would be relevant to amend footnote 1 to 7.5.7.1 in order to include a reference to relevant chapters of this Code once it has been approved by the three organizations and officially published.
