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### COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS (Twenty first session, Geneva, 4-13 December 2000, agenda item 2(b))

# WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

#### Draft Amendments to the Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

#### Comments on List of Currently Assigned Organic Peroxides, 2.5.3.2.4 and List of Currently Assigned Self-Reactive Substances, 2.4.2.3.2.3

# Transmitted by the Expert from the United Kingdom

1. The expert from United Kingdom draws the attention of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods to editorial problems associated with the list of currently assigned organic peroxides at 2.5.3.2.4 and the list of currently assigned self-reactive substances at 2.4.2.3.2.3.

2. The current table for organic peroxides has eleven columns. The headings to each column are self explanatory except for "Packing Method". There is no explanation of the meaning of the Codes in this column. There are three types of code listed:

[1] OP1 - 8 which refers to packaging types, but there is no explanation/interpretation of these codes.

[2] N which permits carriage in IBCs (see 4.1.7.2.1)

[3] M for which there is no explanation but it is believed it should signify that the substance can be carried in tanks.

3. Before the 10<sup>th</sup> edition of the Model Regulation there was a relationship between this table and the packing methods, but once the Packing Instructions were introduced the link was lost.

4. In Chapter 2.4 there is a similar problem with the table of self-reactive substances in that Packing Methods OP1-8 may be referenced.

5. The expert from the UK offers two proposals to deal with this problem:

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## Proposal 1.

The following note should be added as the first entry in 'Notes on 2.5.3.2.4':

"1) Packing Methods – the codes shown in this column have the following meaning: OP1-8 these refer to packing methods in Packing Instruction P 520. N indicates the substance is permitted in IBCs see IBC520 and 4.1.7.2.1. M indicates the substance is permitted in tanks see T23".

Renumber other notes accordingly.

#### Proposal 2

In table 2.4.2.3.2.3, list of currently assigned self-reactive substances, add the following remark as the first entry in 'Remarks' following the table:

"(1) Packing Methods – the codes OP1-8 shown in this column refer to packing methods in Packing Instruction P520."

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