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**Working Party on the Transport  
of Dangerous Goods**

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***Agenda Item 3)***

**Transmitted by  
the International Federation of Freight Forwarders Associations (FIATA)**

**Labelling of swap bodies**

**DOC. TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/80/Add.6(Chapter 5.3)**  
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**Proposal:**

**5.3.1.2:** FIATA proposes to delete the square brackets in the NOTE and keep the sentence as it is.

**Justification:**

Swap bodies in particular are often used with mixed loads for short distance road transport (under 1000 km) for port-to-port freight and distribution freight. Provided that these swap bodies carrying dangerous goods in packages are only used for road transport (not multimodal transport) swap bodies should –from the labelling point of view- be treated as fixed bodies as long as these swap bodies are only separated from the vehicle for immediate loading and unloading. In these cases orange coloured plates at front and back of the vehicles are sufficient.

This proposal takes into account the discussion (based on Document TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/1998/19 by IRU) of a Joint Meeting working group held in Bonn, Germany, January 11 til 13, 1999 (Document INF 4 Joint Meeting, May 25 til 28, 1999). As a result of this discussion Multilateral Agreement M 84 has been initiated and has already been signed by several ADR Member States dealing with the same matter.

Following this proposal the idea of Multilateral Agreement M 84 to have no additional labelling requirements for swap bodies carrying mixed loads of dangerous goods in packages would become part of the ADR.

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