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AND LABELLING OF CHEMICALS
Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally
Harmonized System of Classification
and Labelling of Chemicals
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OTHER BUSINESS

**Request for consultative status by the
International Occupational Hygiene Association (IOHA)**

Note by the secretariat

The secretariat has received a letter from the President of IOHA seeking consultative status with the Sub-Committee.

Since IOHA is not in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, the Sub-Committee may wish to consider the application from IOHA according to the usual procedure (see also ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2001/2).

The letter is reproduced hereafter.

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Secretary, UN/ECOSOC

Committee of Experts on the Transport of
Dangerous Goods and the, Globally harmonized System -
for the classification and labelling of chemicals
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IOHA

**International Occupational
Hygiene Association**

4 March 2002

Request for membership

Dear Mr. Olivier,

My name is Kurt Lechnitz, and I am currently the President of the International Occupational Hygiene Association (IOHA).

At a recent meeting with ILO Senior Officers, I learned about details of the important work your Committee is doing related to dangerous goods.

As a stakeholder in the field of occupational hygiene, one of the main objectives of our International Occupational Hygiene Association (IOHA) is the protection of workers' health and well-being and safeguarding the community at large, which includes dangerous goods.

Our Association is a non-profit organisation; it conducts a wide range of activities intended to promote and develop occupational hygiene. From its creation in 1987 our Association has grown to 24 member organisations, representing over 20 000 occupational/industrial hygienists world-wide.

As NGO we are in official relation with ILO and WHO. For both of these Organizations, we are doing consultative work, such as: preparing the "ILO Guidelines on Occupational Safety and Health Management systems (OHS-MS)"; "ILO OHS-MS implementation Manual"; "ILO Workplace chemicals control toolkit"; "WHO Document Hazard Prevention and Control in the Work Environment"; "WHO Document Airborne Dust"; "WHO Document Policy Criteria and Performance Indicators of Good Practice in Health, Environment and Safety Management in the Enterprises".

We truly believe that becoming a member of your Working Party would be very useful for our work. It could also make an ideal basis for exchange of information between you and us.

May I have the privilege to ask you to accept our Association as member of your Working party? We would be very grateful having the opportunity to co-operate with you.

For your information, I have enclosed our membership list and our Bylaws. If you need additional information, please contact me at any time.

Thank you in advance for your reply.

sincerely yours,

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