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Document ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2007/45 deals with problems with Special Provision 304. SP 304 provides an exemption for Batteries (Alkali-Manganese-, Zink Carbon-, Nickel-Metal hydride and Nickel-Cadmium-Batteries as well as Button cells) assigned to UN No. 3028. Initial point for the proposal was a investigation report on a fire on board of a German container vessel.

The investigation carried out by the German Federal Bureau of Marine Casualty Investigation revealed that the fire started around containers loaded with nickel metal hydride storage batteries.

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