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#### Harmonization with the United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

### Amendments to the definition of the "*Salvage packaging*" in section 1.2.1 "Definitions" RID/ADR

#### Transmitted by the Government of the Romania

<b>Summary:</b>	Amend the definition of the "Salvage packaging" as a result of the introduction of the definition " <i>Salvage pressure receptacle</i> " and of the current dispositions in RID/ADR.
<b>Background documents:</b>	ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2011/30/Add.1 - Draft proposal of amendments to RID/ADR/ADN

### Introduction

1. The Ad-Hoc Working Group on the Harmonization of RID/ADR/ADN with the United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods agreed to adopt the definition of the "*Salvage pressure receptacle*" as follows:

"*Salvage pressure receptacle* means a pressure receptacle with a water capacity not exceeding 1 000 litres into which are placed damaged, defective, leaking or non-conforming pressure receptacle(s) for the purpose of carriage e.g. for recovery or disposal;"

2. There is a definition of the "*Salvage packaging*" in RID/ADR/ADN, as follows:

"*Salvage packaging*" means a special packaging into which damaged, defective or leaking dangerous goods packages, or dangerous goods that have spilled or leaked are placed for purposes of carriage for recovery or disposal;"

3. The salvage packaging is regulated within RID/ADR/ADN as follows:

"4.1.1.18.1 Damaged, defective, leaking or non-conforming packages, or dangerous goods that have spilled or leaked may be carried in salvage packagings mentioned in 6.1.5.1.11. This does not prevent the use of a bigger size packaging of appropriate type and performance level under the conditions of 4.1.1.18.2 and 4.1.1.18.3.

6.1.5.1.11(c) Packagings shall be marked with the letter "T" as described in 6.1.2.4.

6.1.2.4 The letters "T", "V" or "W" may follow the packaging code. The letter "T" signifies a salvage packaging conforming to the requirements of 6.1.5.1.11. The letter "V" signifies a special packaging conforming to the requirements of 6.1.5.1.7. The letter "W" signifies that the packaging, although of the same type indicated by the code, is manufactured to a specification different to that in 6.1.4 and is considered equivalent under the requirements of 6.1.1.2."

## Proposal

4. In order to comply with the above mentioned provisions and to harmonize with the definition of the "salvage pressure receptacle, we will ask the Joint Meeting to consider amending the definition of the "salvage packaging" (deleted text is stricken out, and new text is underlined):

"1.2.1 Definitions

"*Salvage packaging*" means a ~~special~~ packaging into which damaged, defective, non-conforming or leaking dangerous goods packages, or dangerous goods that have spilled or leaked are placed for purposes of carriage, e.g. for recovery or disposal;".

5. If the RID/ADR/ADN Joint Meeting will agree with our proposal, Romania will submit an informal document on the subject for the December session of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, in order to achieve harmonization of RID/ADR/ADN with the UN Model Regulations.

## Justification

6. These amendments would provide for harmonization of the definition "Salvage packaging" with the definition "Salvage pressure receptacle" and with the current dispositions in RID/ADR.

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