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Programme of work for 2017-2018

Programme of work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

Note by the Secretariat

At its fiftieth session, the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods requested the secretariat to consolidate the programme of work for 2017-2018 in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman on the basis of decisions taken during the four sessions of the Sub-Committee in 2015-2016 and to include this consolidated programme in paragraph 90 of its report (see ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2016/CRP.3/Add.12, para.90).

Following consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Sub-Committee and with the Chairman of the Working Group on Explosives, the following list has been agreed for inclusion in paragraph 90 of the report and approval by the Committee:

- (a) Explosives and related matters (including amendments to the list of dangerous goods, electronic detonators; review of test series 6; review of tests in parts I, II and III of the Manual of Tests and Criteria (including UN standard detonator, minimum burning pressure (MBP) tests as a possible alternate or replacement for the 8(c) and/or the 8(d) tests); guidance for application of Test Series 3 and 4; review of packing instructions for explosives; stability tests for industrial nitrocellulose; application of security provisions to explosives N.O.S.; classification of articles under UN 0349; test N.1 for readily combustible solids; and review of Chapter 2.1 of the GHS);
- (b) Listing, classification and packing (including amendments to the list of dangerous goods and packing instructions, toxicity of UN Nos. 2248, 2264 and 2357, polymerizing substances, seed cake, category A infectious waste);
- (c) Electric storage systems (including testing of lithium batteries; hazard-based system for classification of lithium batteries; transport provisions; damaged or defective lithium batteries; and sodium-ion batteries);
- (d) Transport of gases (including global recognition of UN and non-UN pressure receptacles);
- (e) Miscellaneous proposals of amendments to the Model Regulations (including marking and labelling issues; packaging issues; tank issues);
- (f) Cooperation with IAEA ;
- (g) Global harmonization of transport of dangerous goods regulations with the Model Regulations;
- (h) Guiding principles for the Model Regulations (updating) ;

- (i) Issues relating to the GHS (including criteria for water-reactivity; testing of oxidizing substances; references to OECD Guidelines; use of the Manual of Tests and Criteria in the context of GHS).
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