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**Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods  
and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification  
and Labelling of Chemicals****Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport  
of Dangerous Goods****Fifty-first session**

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**Issues relating to the Globally Harmonized System of Classification  
and Labelling of Chemicals: testing of oxidizing substances****Tests for oxidizing liquids (UN Test O.2) and oxidizing solids  
(UN Tests O.1 and O.3)  
Consequential amendments of cellulose replacement to test  
descriptions****Transmitted by the expert from France\*****Introduction**

1. During its eighth session the Committee approved the programme of work of its two sub-committees for the biennium 2017-2018 (see ST/SG/AC.10/44, para 14; ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/100, para 98; ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/64, annex III). This programme of work includes the tests for oxidizing liquids and oxidizing solids, with the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous goods as focal point.
2. This programme of work will focus on consequential amendments to UN Test O.1 to O.3 as a follow-up of the replacement of cellulose as agreed by the Committee (see ST/SG/AC.10/44, para 11 and ST/SG/AC.10/44/Add. 2, section 34; ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/100, para 79-82; ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/64, para 14).

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\* In accordance with the programme of work of the Sub-Committee for 2017-2018 approved by the Committee at its eighth session (see ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/100, paragraph 98 and ST/SG/AC.10/44, paragraph 14)

3. The proposed calendar for the development of the consequential amendments is given hereafter:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Action</u>
July 2017	Preliminary overview [information document under drafting] of the nature of consequential amendments
November - December 2017	Proposal for consequential amendments to tests descriptions, including criteria if necessary
June -	Final discussion and adoption if agreed of consequential amendments
July 2018	proposed as updated as a result of discussion

4. The nature of consequential amendments should incorporate at least the following items:

- For reference substances as regards allocation to PGII and PGIII in UN Test O.2
- Reference oxidizer, coefficient of correlation ( $R^2$ ) and standard deviation for burning rates in UN Test O.3.

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