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Thirty-fourth session

Geneva, 6-8 December 2017 Item 1 of the provisional agenda **Adoption of the agenda**

Provisional agenda for the thirty-fourth session

Addendum

List of documents and annotations

1. Adoption of the agenda

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/67 Provisional agenda for the thirty-fourth session

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/67/Add.1 List of documents and annotations

Background documents (Secretariat)

ST/SG/AC.10/30/Rev.6 Globally Harmonized System of Classification and

Labelling of Chemicals (GHS), sixth revised edition

ST/SG/AC.10/1/Rev.20 Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods,

Model Regulations, twentieth revised edition

ST/SG/AC.10/11/Rev.6 Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods,

Manual of Tests and Criteria, sixth revised edition

ST/SG/AC.10/44/Add.2 Amendments to the sixth revised edition of the Manual of

Tests and Criteria

ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/102 and Add.1 Report of the Sub-Committee on its fifty-first session ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/66 Report of the GHS Sub-Committee on its thirty-third

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2. Classification criteria and related hazard communication

(a) Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (TDG) on matters of interest to the GHS Sub-Committee

At the time of writing, the following documents of interest to the Sub-Committee have been submitted for consideration by the TDG Sub-Committee, as focal point for physical hazards, at its fifty-second session under items 2 and 10 of its provisional agenda¹:

ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2017/35 Stability tests for industrial nitrocellulose

(Germany) (agenda item 2 (e))

ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2017/45 Tests for oxidizing liquids (O.2) and oxidizing solids (O.1 and O.3): Consequential amendments of cellulose replacement to test descriptions

Explosives and related matters will be considered by the TDG Sub-Committee under agenda item 2 of its provisional agenda. It is expected that the discussion of the documents under these agenda item will be entrusted to the Working Group on Explosives, which is expected to meet in parallel.

Informal documents related to the documents listed above or addressing any other matter of interest to the GHS Sub-Committee submitted for consideration by the TDG Sub-Committee will be circulated on the webpage for the informal documents for the fifty-second session of the TDG Sub-Committee.²

Work on the use of the Manual of Tests and Criteria in the context of the GHS is also expected to continue within the activities of the Working Group on Explosives as indicated in the report of the TDG Sub-Committee on its fifty-first session (see ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/102, paragraphs 95 to 97, and ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/66, paragraph 8). It is recalled that, at its fiftieth session, the TDG Sub-Committee felt that the involvement of experts from sectors other than transport in the work of the Working Group on Explosives was highly desirable and that more experts from other sectors should attend its sessions in the future (see ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/100 paragraph 91 and ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/64 paragraph 17). GHS Sub-Committee delegates interested in participating in this work should register for both (TDG and GHS sub-committees) sessions.

The Sub-Committee will be informed about the outcome of the discussions of the TDG Sub-Committee on all matters of interest to the Sub-Committee.

(b) Review of Chapter 2.1

The expert from Sweden may wish to inform the Sub-Committee about the progress of the work on this issue since the last session. For reference see the report of the Sub-Committee on its thirty-third session (ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/66, paragraphs 13 to 15).

(c) Dust explosion hazards

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item.

¹ The provisional agenda and its annotations for the fifty-second session of the TDG Sub-Committee have been circulated as document ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/103 and Add.1 (http://www.unece.org/trans/main/dgdb/dgsubc3/c3age.html). Official documents are available at: http://www.unece.org/trans/main/dgdb/dgsubc3/c32017.html

² http://www.unece.org/trans/main/dgdb/dgsubc3/c3inf52.html

(d) Use of non-animal testing methods for classification of health hazards

The experts from the Netherlands and the United Kingdom may wish to inform the Sub-Committee about the progress of work of the informal correspondence group on the use of animal testing methods for the classification of health hazards since the last session. For reference see the report of the Sub-Committee on its thirty-third session (ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/66, paragraphs 18 to 20).

(e) Practical classification issues

The expert from the United States of America may wish to inform the Sub-Committee about the progress of work of the informal correspondence group on practical classification issues since the last session. For reference see the report of the Sub-Committee on its thirty-third session (ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/66, paragraph 21).

(f) Aspiration hazard

The representatives of the International Paint and Printing Ink Council (IPPIC) and the International Maritime Organization (IMO) may wish to inform the Sub-Committee about the progress of work on this issue since the last session. For reference, see the report of the Sub-Committee on its thirty-third session (ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/66, paragraph 22)..

(g) Nanomaterials

The expert from France may wish to inform the Sub-Committee about the progress of work of the informal correspondence group on nanomaterials. For reference see the report of the Sub-Committee on its thirty-second session (ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/64, paragraph 32).

(h) Other issues

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item.

3. Hazard communication

(a) Labelling of small packagings

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2017/5 (CEFIC) Labelling of sets or kits

(b) Improvement of annexes 1 to 3 and further rationalization of precautionary statements

The expert from the United Kingdom may wish to inform the Sub-Committee about the progress of work of the informal working group on the improvements of annexes 1-3 since the last session. For reference see the report of the Sub-Committee on its thirty-third session (ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/66, paragraph 29).

(c) Use of "proportion ranges": review of paragraph A4.3.3.2.3 in Annex 4

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item.

(d) Other issues

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item.

4. Implementation of the GHS

(a) Development of a list of chemicals classified in accordance with the GHS

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2017/4 (United States of America)

Assessing the potential development of a global list of chemicals classified in accordance with the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

(b) Reports on the status of implementation

Experts, observers and international organizations may wish to inform the Sub-Committee about the progress in the GHS implementation in their respective countries or areas of work.

(c) Cooperation with other bodies or international organizations

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item.

(d) Miscellaneous

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item.

5. Development of guidance on the application of GHS criteria

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda item.

6. Capacity building

Experts, observers and international organizations may wish to inform the Sub-Committee of any capacity-building activities or projects undertaken in relation to the GHS.

7. Other business

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda item.

8. Adoption of the report

In accordance with the established practice, the Sub-Committee may wish to adopt the report on its thirty-fourth session on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat.

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