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| **Economic Commission for Europe**Inland Transport Committee**Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods****Joint Meeting of Experts on the Regulations annexed to theEuropean Agreement concerning the International Carriageof Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways (ADN)(ADN Safety Committee)****Thirtieth session**Geneva, 23–27 January 2017Item 4 (d) of the provisional agenda**Implementation of the European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways (ADN):****training of experts** | English27 December 2016 |

 Catalogue of questions - General, Prohibition of mixed loading of containers

 Submitted by the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine(CCNR)

 Introduction

1. The CCNR Secretariat would like to draw the ADN Safety Committees attention to a question it received from the informal working group on “training of experts” regarding the interpretation of 7.1.4.4.2 ADN in context of question 120.06.0-29.

 Background

2. In the 16th meeting of the informal working group on “training of experts”, the experts discussed question 120.06.0-29 and the answers given:

*Under which conditions may goods of Classes 6.1 and 8 stowed in separate containers with complete metal walls be loaded in the same hold?(correct answer: B)*

*A In no circumstances may they be loaded in the same hold*

*B Always, without any conditions*

*C Goods of different classes must be separated by a horizontal distance of at least 3 m*

*D They may be loaded in the same hold, but not stacked*

3. 7.1.4.4.2 ADN stipulates that prohibition of mixed loading in containers does not apply to closed containers with complete metal walls.

4. The experts discussed which elements of the container shall be out of metal in order to fulfil the requirements of 7.1.4.4.2 ADN.

5. The experts concluded that the bottom and the 4 walls of the container shall be out of metal and the top of the container has to be closed by a top cover, for example with tarpaulins. If these requirements are met, container with dangerous goods may be stowed together without any conditions according to 7.1.4.4.2 ADN.

 Proposals

6. The Safety Committee is asked to confirm the interpretation of the experts of the informal working group on “training of experts”.