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EUROPEAN AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL CARRIAGE
OF DANGEROUS GOODS BY ROAD (ADR)

GENEVA, 30 SEPTEMBER 1957

PROPOSAL OF AMENDMENTS BY PORTUGAL TO ANNEXES A AND B, AS AMENDED

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

The Government of Portugal, in accordance with paragraph 1 of article 14 of the above Agreement, has transmitted to the Secretary-General the text of the proposed amendments to Annexes A and B, as amended, to the above Agreement. (It will be recalled that the text of these proposed amendments had been approved by the Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods of the Economic Commission for Europe at its 98th session).

The procedure for the amendment of annexes to the Agreement is set forth in its article 14, in particular, in paragraphs 2 and 3, which read as follows:

“2. The Secretary-General shall transmit any proposal made under paragraph 1 of this article to all Contracting Parties and inform thereof the other countries referred to in article 6, paragraph 1.

3. Any proposed amendment to the annexes shall be deemed to be accepted unless, within three months from the date on which the Secretary-General circulates it, at least one-third of the Contracting Parties, or five of them if one-third exceeds that figure, have given the Secretary-General written notification of their objection to the proposed amendment. If the amendment is deemed to be accepted, it shall enter into force for all the Contracting Parties, either on the expiry of a further period of three months or, in cases where similar amendments have been or are likely to be made to the other international agreements referred to in paragraph 1 of this article, on the expiry of a period the duration of which shall be determined by the Secretary-General in such a way as to allow, wherever possible, the simultaneous entry into force of the amendment and those that have been or are likely to be made to such other agreements; such period shall not, however, be of less than one month’s duration.”

Consequently, unless the proposed amendments to the Annexes are deemed rejected pursuant to article 14 (3) within three months from the date of the notification, i.e., on 26 September 2015, the Secretary-General proposes that the amendments in question enter into force on 26 December 2015.

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The text of the proposed amendments are contained in document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/228, which can be accessed on the website of the Transport Division of the Economic Commission for Europe at the following address: <http://www.unece.org/trans/main/dgdb/wp15/wp15rep.html>

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Proposed amendments by Portugal to annexes A and B, as amended

Chapter 2.2

2.2.52.1.17 In the Note, amend "Manual of Tests and Criteria, Part II, Chapter 20 and sub-section 28.4" to read "Manual of Tests and Criteria, Part II, Section 20 and test series E in Section 25".

(Reference document: informal document INF.13)

Chapter 3.3

SP 529 Amend the last sentence to read "Mercurous chloride (calomel) is a substance of Class 6.1 (UN No. 2025).".

(Reference document: informal document INF.13)

Chapter 6.2

6.2.2.4 In the Table, amend the heading of the last column, "applicable for manufacture", to read "applicable".

(Reference document: informal document INF.13)

Chapter 9.2

9.2.4.7.1 Amend footnote 4 to read as follows:

⁴ *ECE Regulation No. 122 (Uniform provisions concerning the approval of vehicles of categories M, N and O with regard to their heating systems)".*

9.2.5 Amend footnote 5 to read as follows:

⁵ *ECE Regulation No.89 (Uniform provisions concerning the approval of:*

- I. Vehicles with regard to limitation of their maximum speed or their adjustable speed limitation function*
- II. Vehicles with regard to the installation of a speed limiting device (SLD) or adjustable speed limitation device (ASLD) of an approved type*
- III. Speed limitation devices (SLD) and adjustable speed limitation device (ASLD))".*

(Reference document: informal document INF.9)