

INF.11 Proposal for discussion under Agenda Item 8, Strengthening the work of the Section

Contribution from the United States of America

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The United States of America submits the following proposals for discussion under Agenda Item 8; Strengthening the work of the Section.

- 1. Written justifications for revising/amending existing standards or for developing new standards must be made by the interested member or members prior to any work commences.*
- 2. The Specialized Section must approve the preparation of all draft text prior to circulation and/or discussion by the plenary session and working group. No member, delegation or delegations should be allowed to present unapproved draft texts to the Section.*
- 3. Any proposal to revise/amend existing or to develop new standards should be initially placed under “Future Work” on the meeting agenda.*
- 4. Unless otherwise stated the Monday session set aside for working groups should be used for discussions on recommendations or standards being deliberated on by the plenary session.*
- 5. UNECE should undertake efforts to increase the direct participation of the private sector in the proceedings of the Special Section on Standardization of Dry and Dried Produce which should include:*
 - Invitations to both exporters and importers and their trade associations.*
 - Promote the section work at industry trade promotion events.*