

**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**

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## **LIMITED QUANTITIES**

### **Transmitted by the Chairman of the Joint Meeting**

1. During the last session of the sub committee it was agreed to consult different modal bodies on the harmonisation of exemptions concerning Limited Quantities.
  2. The joint meeting considered the different papers submitted to the sub committee but had only limited time because of a busy agenda. Nevertheless some interesting comments were made (see report par. 75 to 78)
  3. In general the delegations were in favour of looking for a harmonized system in order to facilitate the multi-modal transport.
  4. A majority of delegations were not opposed to the inclusion of a concept of excepted quantities as shown in the ICAO TI.
  5. Concerning the concept of “consumers commodities” the reactions were not favourable. Generally speaking the delegations were not ready to accept it because no exemptions would be justified only on the basis that these products will be sold to consumers. Especially minimal relevant information was deemed necessary and it would not be acceptable to carry goods having different dangers under a class 9 label.
  6. some delegations referred to the French study demonstrating that limited quantities were not eliminating completely the risk .
  7. Due to time constraints the discussion had to stop and a call for additional written comments was made
  8. Later two delegations sent written comments (Belgium and UIC) insisting more restrictive positions and requiring more detailed information for these transports such as full transport document...Belgium in addition declared his opposition to the inclusion of excepted quantities
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