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DANGEROUS GOODS AND ON THE GLOBALLY
HARMONIZED SYSTEM OF CLASSIFICATION
AND LABELLING OF CHEMICALS**

Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally
Harmonized System of Classification
and Labelling of Chemicals

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**UPDATING OF THE GLOBALLY HARMONIZED SYSTEM OF CLASSIFICATION AND
LABELLING OF CHEMICALS (GHS)**

Others

Proposal for conforming modifications to the text of the GHS following inclusion of a new category into
Chapter 3.8 (Target Organ Systemic Toxicity (Single Exposure))

Note by the secretariat

1. At its seventh session, the Sub-Committee adopted a new category (Category 3) for Respiratory Tract Irritation and Narcotic Effects in Chapter 3.8 as formulated in document ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2004/9 amended according to Annex 2 of the report of the seventh session (ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/14). As a consequence, other parts of the GHS text have to be adjusted as indicated below.

2. *Proposal*

(a) In Annex 1, page 249, complete the table by adding a third column for category 3 as below:

TARGET ORGAN SYSTEMIC TOXICITY (SINGLE EXPOSURE)				
Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	-	-
				
Danger	Warning	Warning		
Causes damage to (state all organs affected, or use a general statement where there is no definite evidence that other organs are not affected) if (state route of exposure if it is conclusively proven that no other routes of exposure cause the hazard)	May cause damage to (state all organs affected, or use a general statement where there is no definite evidence that other organs are not affected) if (state route of exposure if it is conclusively proven that no other routes of exposure cause the hazard)	May cause respiratory irritation Or May cause drowsiness and dizziness		
Not required under the UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, Model Regulations.				

(b) In Annex 2, page 282, complete Table A2.25 with a third new row as below:

Hazard category	Criteria	Hazard communication elements	
3	(a) Evidence on the substance or mixture of transient irritant effects on respiratory tract in humans ; or (b) Evidence on the substance or mixture of transient narcotic effects from animal studies and in humans.	Symbol	
		Signal word	Warning
		Hazard statement	May cause respiratory irritation or May cause drowsiness or dizziness

(c) In draft new Annex 3, which will be submitted to the Sub-Committee at its eighth session, a new table has been inserted to reflect the Precautionary Statements related to this new category of Chapter 3.8.