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Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

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## PROPOSALS OF AMENDMENTS TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

Requirements for the construction and testing of packagings

Use of rubber polymers in packaging

Transmitted by the expert from Norway

## 1. Background

At the twenty-ninth session in July 2006, Norway presented document ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2006/6 asking the Sub-Committee's opinion on how to include rubber polymers as packaging materials. Norway's proposal to include rubber polymers under 6.1.2.6 by changing "H" to read: "Plastics materials (including rubber polymers) was not accepted, but the Sub-Committee pointed to a different solution that was already used for inner receptacles of composite IBCs, and Norway choose to come back with a new proposal taking this into account.

## 2. Proposal

Since it was pointed out during the discussions held in July that a definition containing the reference to rubber in Chapter 1.2 might not be appropriate for all packagings, Norway proposes to install a note after the list in 6.1.2.6:

"NOTE: Plastics, when used in connection with packagings for solids and articles, is taken to include other polymeric materials such as rubber, etc."