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#### Note by the secretariat

1. During the preparation of the second revised edition of the GHS, the secretariat noticed an inconsistency between the items listed in Chapter 1.5 (table 1.5.1 and paragraph 1.5.3.3.1) and Annex 4 (paragraph A4.2.4.2).

2. The second sentence in paragraph 1.5.3.3.1 reads:

*“The minimum information in Table 1.5.2 should be included, where applicable and available, on the SDS under the relevant headings”.*

The same sentence (with a reference to the relevant section of Annex 4 where the items listed in Table 1.5.2 are described in detail) is reproduced in paragraph A4.2.4.2, as follows:

*“The minimum information outlined in section A4.3 of this annex should be included on the GHS, where applicable and available, under the relevant headings”*

Finally, the first sentence in 1.5.3.3.3 refers users to the guidance given in Annex 4 (“Guidance on the preparation of SDS’s under the requirements of the GHS can be found in Annex 4”).

This implies that the items listed in table 1.5.1 should be the same as those described in detail in Annex 4.

3. However, the secretariat noticed that some of the items listed in Annex 4 were missing in table 1.5.1. In particular:

- Viscosity (under point 9)
- Reactivity (under point 10)

4. Concerning the items listed under point 14, the heading “environmental hazards” was missing and therefore it was inserted before the existing text, to be consistent with the guidance given in A4.3.14.5.

Finally, a new item regarding transport in bulk was added, as a consequential amendment to the insertion of a new section A4.3.14.7 in Annex 4 (refer to document ST/SG/AC.10/34/Add.3 *Amendments to the first revised edition of the GHS adopted by the Committee of experts at its third session*).

5. All those inconsistencies were detected after the publication of the consolidated list of amendments to the first revised edition of the GHS and therefore could not be brought to the attention of the Sub-Committee before the publication of the second revised edition.

6. None of these corrections represent either a change on the agreed criteria or the introduction of new requirements.

7. The Sub-Committee is invited to consider if there is a need to reflect the changes in points 3 and 4 (first paragraph) above in a new corrigendum to the first revised edition of the GHS.

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