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MISCELLANEOUS PROPOSALS OF AMENDMENTS TO THE MODEL REGULATIONS ON THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

Addendum to ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2009/8 (Marking on packages)

Transmitted by the expert from Sweden

Transitional provisions

1. In document ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2009/8, the expert from Sweden proposes to insert size requirements for the UN number marking on packages in 5.2.1.1 in the UN Model Regulations. However, the proposal does not include provisions for a transitional period. Sweden believes such provisions may be needed to enable manufacturers and consignors to use their stock of preprinted packagings.

Proposal 1

2. The expert from Sweden would like to propose that the following transitional measures be inserted as a note under 5.2.1.1:

"NOTE: The size requirement for the UN number marking shall apply as from [1 January 2013]."

Additional proposal

- 3. At the end of 5.2.1.1 in the current edition of the UN Model Regulations, an example shows how a typical package marking may be displayed. The example starts with the proper shipping name and ends with the UN number. It would seem appropriate to start with the UN number instead of the proper shipping name. This would be in line with what is stated in the requirements in 5.4.1.4.1 about the sequence of the dangerous goods description in the transport document.
- 4. Therefore, the expert from Sweden proposes to amend the example in 5.2.1.1.

Proposal 2

5. Amend the example in 5.2.1.1 to read as follows:

"UN 3265 Corrosive liquid, acidic, organic, n.o.s. (Caprylyl chloride)."