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#### Working Party on the Transport of Perishable Foodstuffs

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##### Proposals of amendments to the ATP: New proposals

### Small insulated equipment<sup>1</sup>

#### Transmitted by the German Government

#### I. Initial situation/justification

1. Small insulated equipment with a maximum inside volume of 2m<sup>3</sup> is often used in large numbers, e.g. over 1500 identical boxes for one owner. The manufacturers of such equipment often serially produce as many as 100 units of the same type.
2. In practice, it is not possible to have an ATP certificate accompany each unit of small insulated equipment, so it is common that this equipment has an ATP type plate. The large quantities of ATP certificates, e.g. 1500, are stored by the owner and serve no useful commercial purpose.
3. For this kind of small insulated equipment, it could be very helpful for the owner to have a summary ATP certificate, e.g. one ATP certificate for small insulated equipment of the same type which is serially produced. This would reduce the quantity of paper which has to be stored by the company. The quality and safety of transport for perishable foodstuffs would not be reduced.

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<sup>1</sup> Submitted in accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2010–2014 (ECE/TRANS/208, para. 106; ECE/TRANS/2010/8, programme activity 02.11).

## II. Proposals

4. It is proposed to add the following text in bold to annex 1, appendix 1, paragraph 3:  
"3. A certificate of compliance with the standards shall be issued by the competent authority of the country in which the equipment is to be registered and recorded on a form conforming to the model reproduced in appendix 3 to this annex. **For groups of identical small insulated equipment with an inside volume of less than 2m<sup>3</sup> produced in series, a single certificate for one owner shall be delivered by the competent authority. In this case, all the identification numbers of the small insulated containers or the first and last identification numbers shall be indicated on the certificate of compliance in place of the insulated equipment serial number.**"
  5. It is also proposed to add a new footnote after item 3 "Insulated box serial number" in the model form of certificate of compliance of equipment in annex 1, appendix 3 to read as follows:  
**"\*) All the serial numbers of the insulated equipment shall be listed. It is also acceptable to collectively list these numbers, i.e. from number ... to number .... ."**
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