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Transport of packaging waste with residues of dangerous goods (ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2012/85)

Transmitted by the expert from France

A minimal adoption of a proper shipping name with the related definition would be helpful. This would be similar to the introduction of UN3496 and would allow to use it where the context requires it.

As the word "waste" poses problems to some delegations an alternative wording is proposed.

Proposal 1

	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7a)	(7b)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)
3xxx	PACKAGING	9			ууу	0	E0					
	WASTE											

Proposal 2

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7a)	(7b)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)
3xxx	DISCARDED	9			ууу	0	E0					
	PACKAGING,											
	EMPTY,											
	UNCLEANED											

Proposal 3

The special provision defines the precise scope, and specifies that this is only applicable where the competent authority decides it:

yyy This entry may only be used as authorized by the competent authority for packagings, large packagings or intermediate bulk containers (IBC), or parts thereof, which are transported for disposal, recycling or recovery of their material, other than reconditioning, repair, routine maintenance, remanufacturing or reuse, and which have been emptied to the extent that only residues stuck to the packaging parts are present when they are handed over for carriage.

The residues shall only be of dangerous goods of Classes or Divisions 3, 4.1, 5.1, 6.1, 8 or 9, except:

- Substances assigned to packing group I or that have "0" assigned in Column (7a) of Dangerous Goods List of Chapter 3.2, or;
- Substances classified as desensitized explosive substances of Class 3 or Division 4.1, or;
- Substances classified as self-reactive substances of Division 4.1, or
- Asbestos (UN 2212 and UN 2590), polychlorinated Biphenyls (UN 2315 and UN 3432) and polyhalogenated Biphenyls or polyhalogenated Terphenyls (UN 3151 and UN 3152).