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Item 5(b) of the provisional agenda

**Proposals for amendments to RID/ADR/ADN:
new proposals****Amendments to 5.2.2.2.2 Specimen labels****Transmitted by the Government of Romania^{1,2}***Summary*

Executive summary:	Analysis of 5.2.2.2.2 <i>Specimen labels</i>
Action to be taken:	Editorial corrections to 5.2.2.2.2 <i>Specimen labels</i>
Related documents:	Informal document INF.17 of the ninety-second session of WP.15

Introduction

1. The Romanian delegation wishes to ask the Joint Meeting to consider deleting the words "HAZARD" in the headings preceding the labels in 5.2.2.2.2 *Specimen labels*.
2. The current proposal has been presented to the WP.15 during its ninety-second session (8 – 10 may 2012) and the report (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/215) stipulated that:

¹ 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 02.7 (c)).

² Circulated by the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) under the symbol OTIF/RID/RC/2012/24.

“46. The Working Party pointed out that this proposal could be examined by the Joint Meeting on the basis of an official document which would also have to include any consequential amendments that might be necessary.”.

3. The aim of this proposal is to harmonise RID/ADR/ADN text with sub-paragraph 5.2.2.2.2 in the UN Model Regulations, and to avoid the inappropriate interpretation that all danger labels for the same Class point to the same hazard without any difference – e.g. dangers for divisions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3 of the UN Model Regulations.

4. According to Section 2.1.1, RID/ADR/ADN classes refer to dangerous goods and not to hazards.

5. Moreover, the heading of column (5) in Table A, Chapter 3.2 of RID/ADR/ADN only refers to “Labels”.

6. While redrafting the present proposal, we did not find any consequential amendments to this proposal. We wish to ask the Joint Meeting to present the consequential amendments, if any.

Proposal

7. In 5.2.2.2.2, delete “Hazard” wherever it appears in the headings before the labels.
