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## **Group of Experts for the revision of the IMO/ILO/UNECE Guidelines for Packing of Cargo Transport Units**

### **Third session**

Geneva, 15–17 October 2012

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

### **Adoption of the agenda**

## **Annotated provisional agenda for the third session<sup>1,2</sup>**

To be held in Room VIII, Palais des Nations, Geneva,  
starting at 2 p.m. on Monday, 15 October 2012

### **I. Provisional agenda**

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Results of the second session of the Group of Experts for the revision of the IMO/ILO/UNECE Guidelines for Packing of Cargo Transport Units.
3. Updates on the second draft of the Code of Practice for Packing of Cargo Transport Units (CTU Code)
  - (a) Development of the second draft of the CTU Code;
  - (b) Consideration of the sections of the second draft of the CTU Code;
  - (c) Finalization of the CTU Code.
4. Other business.

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<sup>1</sup> Delegates are requested to complete the registration form available for download at the UNECE Transport Division's website [www.unece.org/trans/registfr.html](http://www.unece.org/trans/registfr.html). It should be transmitted to the UNECE secretariat no later than one week prior to the session by e-mail ([wp.24@unece.org](mailto:wp.24@unece.org)) or by fax (+41 22 917 0039). Upon arrival at the Palais des Nations, delegates should obtain an identification badge at the UNOG Security and Safety Section, located at the Pregny Gate (14, Avenue de la Paix). In case of difficulty, please contact the secretariat by telephone (ext. 740 30). For a map of the Palais des Nations and other useful information, see website [www.unece.org/meetings/practical.htm](http://www.unece.org/meetings/practical.htm).

<sup>2</sup> For reasons of economy, delegates are requested to bring copies of all relevant documents to the session. There will be no documentation available in the conference room. Documents may be downloaded from the UNECE Transport Division's website: [www.unece.org/trans/wp24/guidelinespackingctus/session\\_3.html](http://www.unece.org/trans/wp24/guidelinespackingctus/session_3.html).

5. Date and venue of next meeting.
6. Decisions and follow-up.

## II. Annotations

### 1. Adoption of the agenda

The first item to be considered by the Group of Experts<sup>3</sup> is the adoption of the agenda.

**Documentation:** Informal document EG GPC No. 14 (2012)

### 2. Results of the second session of the Group of Experts for the revision of the IMO/ILO/UNECE Guidelines for Packing of Cargo Transport Units

The Group of Experts may wish to consider and approve the report of its second session (Geneva, 19 and 20 April 2012), which was circulated by the secretariat to the participants in May 2012 and has been made available on the dedicated webpage: [www.unece.org/trans/wp24/guidelinespackingctus/session\\_2.html](http://www.unece.org/trans/wp24/guidelinespackingctus/session_2.html).

**Documentation:** Informal document EG GPC No. 13 (2012) – Rev.1

### 3. Updates on the second draft of the Code of Practice for Packing of Cargo Transport Units (CTU Code)

#### (a) Development of the second draft of the CTU Code

The Group of Experts will be informed on the preparation of the second draft of the CTU Code based on discussions that took place in the correspondence groups.

#### (b) Consideration of the sections of the second draft of the CTU Code

The Group of Experts may wish to consider in detail the second draft of the CTU Code which will be circulated to participating experts as Informal document EG GPC No. 15 (2012) by mid-September 2012.

It is proposed to base discussions on this document and to proceed section by section. Furthermore, experts are invited to put forward additional elements and ideas, to the extent possible, supported by written material to be transmitted to the secretariat for circulation among participating experts well before the session.

**Documentation:** Informal document EG GPC No. 15 (2012)

#### (c) Finalization of the CTU Code

It is expected that the Group of Experts, at the end of the present session, will arrive at consensus on the text of the CTU Code, at least in principle. In line with its calendar of work (Annex to Informal document EG GPC No. 13 (2012) – Rev.1), the secretariat plans

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<sup>3</sup> Delegates may access the terms of reference of the Group of Experts (Informal document No. 3 (2011)-Revision 1) and the mandates of UNECE, ILO and IMO (Informal document No. 2 (2011)) on the dedicated webpage: [www.unece.org/trans/wp24/guidelinespackingctus/documents.html](http://www.unece.org/trans/wp24/guidelinespackingctus/documents.html).

to complete the final draft of the CTU Code and circulate it among participating experts for their verification in February 2013. Thereafter, the draft would be reviewed by the competent organs of IMO, ILO and UNECE. If necessary, and subject to the availability of resources, a further session of the Group of Experts may need to be convened to finalize the CTU Code towards the end of 2013. The CTU Code could then be formally adopted by the competent organs of IMO (Maritime Safety Committee), ILO (Governing Body) and UNECE (Inland Transport Committee) in 2014.

#### **4. Other business**

The Group of Experts may wish to discuss any other relevant issue.

#### **5. Date and venue of next meeting**

The Group of Experts may wish to consider the need and timing for a fourth session of the Group of Experts to be held at the Palais des Nations in Geneva, possibly in November 2013.

#### **6. Decisions and follow-up**

The chair will summarize the decisions taken by the Group of Experts at its third session and propose responsibilities for follow-up activities in the finalization of the CTU Code. The provision of substantive assistance from Governments and industry groups is appreciated to speed up work and to ensure that the expertise of all stakeholders can be harnessed and made profit of.

### **III. Tentative timetable**

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Monday, 15 October 2012	14.00 – 17.30	Items 1 - 3
Tuesday, 16 October 2012	09.30 – 12.30	Item 3
	14.00 – 17.30	Item 3
Wednesday, 17 October 2012	09.30 – 12.30	Item 3
	14.00 – 17.30	Items 4 - 6

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