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Programme of work for 2015-2016

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Note by the Secretariat

At its forty-sixth session, the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods requested the secretariat to consolidate the programme of work for 2015-2016 in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman on the basis of decisions taken during the four sessions of the Sub-Committee in 2013-2014 and to include this consolidated programme in paragraph 67 of its report (see ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2014/CRP.3/Add.10, para.67).

Following consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Sub-Committee and with the Chairman of the Working Group on Explosives, the following list has been agreed for inclusion in paragraph 67 of the report and approval by the Committee:

- (a) Explosives and related matters (including amendments to the list of dangerous goods; tests and criteria for flash compositions; review of test series 6; review of tests in parts I and II of the Manual of Tests and Criteria; review of packing instructions for explosives; harmonized standards for security markings; classification of fireworks; classification of articles under UN 0349; review of Chapter 2.1 of the GHS);
- (b) Listing, classification and packing (including amendments to the list of dangerous goods);
- (c) Electric storage systems (including testing of lithium batteries, transport of large batteries; thermal batteries);
- (d) Transport of gases (including global recognition of UN and non-UN pressure receptacles);
- (e) Miscellaneous proposals of amendments to the Model Regulations (including dangerous goods in machinery, apparatus or articles N.O.S; articles containing small quantities of dangerous goods; marking and labelling issues; packaging issues; tank issues);
- (f) Cooperation with IAEA (including transport of radioactive material possessing additional hazards);
- (g) Global harmonization of transport of dangerous goods regulations with the Model Regulations;
- (h) Guiding principles for the Model Regulations (updating, including rationale for assignment of E codes) and development of guidance for the use of the Model Regulations;

(i) Issues relating to the GHS (including corrosivity criteria; criteria for corrosion to metals; criteria for water-reactivity; classification criteria and flammability categories for certain refrigerants; classification and testing of oxidizing solids; classification criteria for flammable gases; expert judgement/weight of evidence, references to OECD Guidelines; use of the Manual of Tests and Criteria in the context of GHS.
