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Item 5 (b) of the provisional agenda

**Proposals for amendments to the Regulations annexed to ADN:  
Other proposals****Corrections/amendments concerning UN Nos. 2977 and 2978****Note by the secretariat<sup>1,2</sup>****A. Carriage of UN No. 2978 in bulk**

1. The secretariat has noticed what seems to be a mistake in Table A of Chapter 3.2 of the Regulations annexed to ADN.
2. The letter “B” and code “RA01” are assigned to UN No. 2978 “RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL, URANIUM HEXAFLUORIDE, non-fissile or fissile-excepted” in columns (8) and (11) respectively, which would imply that carriage in bulk of this radioactive material is permitted. Such carriage was not permitted in the original version of ADN (ADN 2000, marginal 71 111).
3. The secretariat believes that it is not likely that such a material would be offered for shipment for carriage in bulk, but notes that this assignment appeared in documents that were prepared in the context of the restructuring of ADN (TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2002/1/Add.8 and -/Add.8/Rev.1 and reflected in the 2003, 2005

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<sup>1</sup> In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2012-2016 (ECE/TRANS/224, para 94, ECE/TRANS/2012/12, programme activity 02.7, (A1b)).

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and 2007 versions of ADN. The 2007 version (ECE/TRANS/190), as corrected by ECE/TRANS/190/Corr.1 and amended by ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/26 and Corr.1 and Add. 1-2, is the one to be considered as containing the authentic text of the annexed Regulations that entered into force on 29 February 2009 and which in fact was consolidated as ADN 2009.

4. The secretariat suggests that this mistake should be corrected in accordance with the applicable legal procedure, or that at least the correction should be included in the 2015 amendments.

## **B. Special equipment for UN Nos. 2977 and 2978**

5. Currently, only letters “PP” are assigned to UN Nos. 2977 and 2978 (as for all other Class 7 entries). It should be noted, however, that these two specific entries possess a subsidiary risk of Class 8 (packing group I) and that letters “EP” (suitable escape device) are normally assigned (in addition to letters “PP”) to all corrosive solids.

6. The Safety Committee may wish to consider whether letters “EP” should be added in column (9) of Table A of Chapter 3.2 for UN Nos. 2977 and 2978.

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