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Agenda item 5 (b)

**Proposals for amendments to the Regulations annexed to ADN:****Other amendment proposals**

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### **1.3.3 Documentation and 1.6.8 Training of Masters**

**Transmitted by the Government of the Netherlands**

#### **I. Introduction**

##### 1. ADN 1.6.8

During its twenty-fifth session in August 2014 the ADN Safety Committee supported the document from Germany with the reference ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2014/33. In this document Germany laid focus on the new transitional provision for masters of vessels carrying only UN No. 1972. The use of this provision requires proof of attendance in the ADN specialization course on Gases. However, certificates of attendance for training courses are not defined in the ADN. It is therefore not clear how such could be proven to the authorities enforcing the ADN. The absence of such a certificate makes it at this moment difficult to prove the attendance required in ADN 1.6.8, and in practice the use of the transitional provision.

##### 2. ADN 1.3.3

Another issue addressed by document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2014/33 is an important issue, but not specifically related to the use of the transitional provision in ADN 1.6.8.

It stipulates the possibility that members of the crew (not limited to the master) are employed by a (temporary employment) agency not situated in a country being a Contracting Party to the ADN. If so, the employment agency is not obliged to comply with the 1.3.3. This complicates the enforcement of 1.3.3.

#### **II. Proposal**

##### 3. ADN 1.6.8

The Annex contains a template for a Certificate for attending the specialisation course on gases. The template proposed is for matters of recognition to a large extent based on the regular ADN Certificate (ADN 8.6.2).

This Certificate has to be issued by the same authority responsible for issuing the regular training certificates (8.2.2.6). The Certificate is only valid in accordance with 1.6.8 after it

has been sent by the Contracting Party which issues the Certificate to other ADN contracting parties.

4. ADN 1.3.3

The current provision explicitly mentions that the member of the crew shall be provided by his employer with records about his training. In case the training history of some member of the crew cannot be obtained directly from the employer, the possibility exists to request the crewmember to provide these documents. By doing so, the enforcement agency is still able to obtain the necessary information about the training of the crew.

**Annex**

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**Certificate of participation in the specialization course on Gases according to 1.6.8.**

No. of certificate: .....

**Training institute:**

Name: .....

Address: .....

**Approved by the competent authority of:**

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ADN certificate of participation in  
the ADN Specialization Course on Gases  
(ADN 8.2.2.3.3.1)

First name(s): .....

Last name: .....

Born on: .....

Nationality: .....

Signature of holder:

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Date of participation: .....

Date: .....

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Signature: .....

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