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**COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON THE TRANSPORT
OF DANGEROUS GOODS**

**(Twenty-first session,
4-13 December 2000)**

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE TWENTY-FIRST SESSION *

**to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva,
starting at 10 a.m. on Monday, 4 December 2000**

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods on its sixteenth, seventeenth and eighteenth sessions and recommendations made by it **, together with subsequent proposals arising therefrom; especially from international organizations concerned with regulations or recommendations on the transport of dangerous goods at an international level.

* *The composition of this Committee is limited. Pursuant to decision 1999/217 of the Economic and Social Council, the membership of the Committee has been raised to 23. Experts from non-member States may be invited to participate as observers in accordance with Rule 72 of the Rules of Procedure of the Economic and Social Council.*

** *The reports of the Sub-Committee on its sixteenth, seventeenth and eighteenth sessions have been or will be circulated under the symbols ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/32 and addenda 1 and 2, ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/34 and addenda 1 and 2, ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/36 and addendum 1.*

- (a) Development of provisions for the transport of gases
 - (b) Draft amendments to the Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, including the Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and the Manual of Tests and Criteria, and related proposals
 - (c) New proposals
3. Implementation of resolution 1999/62 of the Economic and Social Council
- (a) Publication of the eleventh revised edition of the Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (Model Regulations) and the 3rd revised edition of the Manual of Tests and Criteria
 - (b) Activities of international organisations concerned with regulations or recommendations on the transport of dangerous goods at an international level
 - (c) Periodicity of amendments to the Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods
4. Activities related to the implementation of Agenda 21
- a) Global harmonization of systems of classification and labelling of chemicals
 - (i) General
 - (ii) Health hazards and hazards to the environment
 - (iii) Physical hazards
 - (iv) Labelling and hazard communication systems
 - (b) Hazardous wastes
 - (c) Implementation of resolution 1999/65 of the Economic and Social Council (Reconfiguration of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods into a Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals)

5. Programme of work
 - (a) Programme of work for the 2001/2002 biennium and related proposals
 - (i) Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods
 - (ii) Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals
 - (iii) Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals
 - (b) Calendar of meetings for the 2001/2002 biennium
6. Draft resolution(s) 2001/... of the Economic and Social Council
7. Election of officers of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods for the 2001/2002 biennium
8. Any other business
9. Adoption of the report

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- Note 1:** At its twentieth session, the Committee of Experts elected Mr. S. Benassai (Italy) and Mr. F. Wybenga (United States of America) respectively Chairman and Vice-Chairman for the 1999-2000 biennium (ST/SG/AC.10/25, para. 152).
- Note 2:** A working group on the transport of gases (sub-item 2 (a)) will be convened in parallel on Monday 4 December in the afternoon after discussion of sub-item 2 (a) in plenary session. The working group will continue working in parallel during the first week as necessary and will report back to the Plenary.
- Note 3:** The UN/ILO Working Group on Physical Hazards (aerosols) will be reconvened on Monday 11 December in the afternoon.

Note 4: Tentative timetable

First week:

Monday 4 December: Items 1, 2 (a), 2 (b)
Tuesday 5 December: Item 2 (b)
Wednesday 6 December: Items 2(b)
Thursday 7 December: Item 2(b)
Friday 8 December: Items 2(a), 2(b), 2(c), 3

Second week:

Monday 11 December: Item 4
Tuesday 12 December: a.m.: Items 5, 6, 7 and 8
p.m.: no session
Wednesday 13 December: Item 9

Note 5: For planning purposes, delegations are invited to inform the secretariat of any document they intend to submit, and of their length (number of pages), at the latest by **8 September 2000**. Documents and proposals submitted to the Committee should be received by the Secretariat in paper form, and/or preferably diskette, or via E.mail, at the latest by **15 September 2000**. Due to their poor quality for further reproduction, documents transmitted by telefax are not accepted.

Note 6: An annotated provisional agenda will be circulated at a later stage on the basis of submissions received by **15 September 2000**.

Note 7: For reasons of economy, delegations are kindly asked to bring their own copies of the pre-sessional to the meeting and not to request additional copies.

Note 8: Documents may be consulted in their original language through INTERNET:
<http://www.unece.org/trans/danger/danger.htm>

Note 9: In view of the new security arrangements for access to the Palais des Nations, delegations are asked to inform the secretariat (ECE Transport Division) of their exact composition. Access to the Palais des Nations will only be granted to those in possession of an identity card issued by the Safety and Security Section, Villa les Feuillantines, 13, Avenue de la Paix (see map on last page).

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