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**INTERPRETATION OF THE EUROPEAN AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE
INTERNATIONAL CARRIAGE OF DANGEROUS GOODS BY ROAD (ADR)**

Transmitted by the Government of Belgium

Summary : This paper seeks to clarify the text of 7.5.1, by explicitly including container terminals into the field of application of this section.

Related Documents : TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2003/70
TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2004/CRP.1/Add.1 (points 15 & 16).

1. Introduction

During the discussion of the Belgian document TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2003/70 in the RID/ADR Joint Meeting of September 2004, all delegates who expressed themselves were of the opinion that container terminals are subject to section 7.5.1 of ADR. As a result of this, the representative of Belgium declared that he would submit a proposal to the WP.15 so as to clarify the text of 7.5.1 in this respect.

2. Proposal

Add the following note after 7.5.1.1 :

NOTE : For the purposes of this section, container terminals are considered to be loading and unloading sites.

3. Justification

On several occasions it has been argued that containers and tank-containers are manipulated but not loaded and unloaded in container terminals, meaning that section 7.5.1 would not apply to these sites.

4. Safety implications

By avoiding that no examination of the documents and visual inspection of the vehicle would take place before loading or unloading in container terminals, safety will increase.
