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PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO ANNEXES A AND B OF ADR

Part 8 of ADR

Chapter 8.5 S1(6), supervision of vehicles

Transmitted by the Government of the United Kingdom

SUMMARY	
Executive summary:	The Working Party at its 82 nd session adopted the proposal submitted by the Government of Norway to amend S1 (6) of Chapter 8.5. The Government of the United Kingdom believes that further clarification of the adopted text is required a) to leave no doubt that the supervision requirements will always apply to some UN numbers in Division 1.4, whatever the quantity carried and b) to establish that the totals given in the right-hand column represent a collective Class 1 maximum net mass.
Action to be taken:	Amend the text at 8.5 S1(6)
Related documents:	ECE/TRANS/WP.15/2006/16.

Proposal

1. Amend the new text for Chapter 8.5 S1(6) to read as follows:

" (6) Supervision of vehicles

The requirements of Chapter 8.4 shall be applicable only when substances and articles of Class 1 having a total net mass of explosive substance above the limits set below are carried in a vehicle:

Division 1.1	0 kg
Division 1.2	0 kg
Division 1.3, compatibility group C:	0 kg
Division 1.3, other than compatibility group C;	[50] kg
Division 1.4, <u>other than those listed below</u> ;	[50] kg
Division 1.5	0 kg
Division 1.6	[50] kg
Substances and articles <u>of Division 1.4</u> belonging to UN numbers 0104, 0237, 0255, 0267, 0289, 0361, 0365, 0366, 0440, 0441, 0455, 0456 and 0500.	0 kg"

For mixed loads the lowest limit applicable to any of the substances or articles carried shall be used for the load as a whole.

Justification

2. The text adopted at the 82nd session could, without careful reading, give the impression that all substances in Division 1.4 may be carried in quantities up to [50] kg without application of the relevant provisions.

3. It could also be interpreted as allowing the carriage of combined total of [150] kg of Class 1 substances and articles – [50] kg of Division 1.3, [50] kg of Division 1.4 and [50] kg of Division 1.6. The proposed amendment makes clear that the quantities specified represent the upper weight limit of all Class 1 substances and articles carried.

Safety The clarification will improve safety and security as it will facilitate understanding of when supervision is required.

Feasibility No problems. Most companies carrying Class 1 will already have security provisions in place in accordance with Chapter 1.10.

Enforceability No change to the current situation in respect of 1.10 enforcement.
