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Item 5(b) of the provisional agenda

**Proposals for amendments to the Regulations annexed to ADN:  
other proposals****Reference to the provisions for degassing in 8.3.5****Transmitted by the Government of the Netherlands\*\*\****Summary*

<b>Executive summary:</b>	A reference to the provisions for degassing should be renumbered to reflect the introduction of provisions for degassing to reception facilities and the subsequent renumbering of those provisions.
<b>Action to be taken:</b>	The ADN Safety Committee is requested in paragraph 7 to consider the proposal and to take action as it deems appropriately.
<b>Related documents:</b>	Document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2017/47 Informal document INF.37 of the thirty-first session ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/64

**Introduction**

1. The ADN Safety Committee may recall that during the thirty-first session the amendments proposed by the informal working group on degassing were adopted.

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2. The provisions regarding degassing to reception facilities were introduced as an alternative to degassing to the atmosphere. To facilitate this introduction, the provisions for degassing were split and renumbered.
3. It has come to the attention of the Dutch delegation that a reference to the provisions for degassing was not subsequently renumbered: ADN 8.3.5, third indent, still refers to 7.2.3.7.6, which has since been deleted.
4. The contents of the former 7.2.3.7.6 can be found in 7.2.3.7.1.6 and 7.2.3.7.2.6 for degassing into the atmosphere and degassing into reception facilities respectively.
5. The Dutch delegation is of the opinion that the reference to 7.2.3.7.6 in 8.3.5 should be amended to reflect the introduction of the provisions for degassing to reception facilities and the subsequent renumbering.

## I. Proposal

6. The Dutch delegation proposes to amend 8.3.5, third indent, as follows (**amended text is bold and underlined**):

“– when the vessel is not in the vicinity of or within an onshore assigned zone and, in the case of a tank vessel, has a certificate attesting to the totally gas-free condition of the vessel in accordance with 7.2.3.7.**1.6 or 7.2.3.7.2.6** or an authorization from the competent authority or in the case of a dry cargo vessel, has a certificate attesting to the totally gas-free condition of the protected area or an authorization from the competent authority.”

## II. Action to be taken

7. The ADN Safety Committee is invited to consider the proposal and to take action as it deems appropriate.
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