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Other business

Infectious Substance Transport

**Transmitted by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO);
Dangerous Goods Trainers Association (DGTA); Council on the Safe
Transportation of Hazardous Articles (COSTHA)**

Introductin

1. For the last 20 years, and also during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Subcommittee has held several discussions regarding infectious substance transportation challenges in using the Model Regulations and transporting infectious substances.
 2. Given the infectious substance transport regulations have matured over the years, we believe they can be successfully updated with lessons learned.
 3. FAO, DGTA, and COSTHA would like to propose a lunchtime working group for the 63rd session. We would recommend the session be held on Day 6 of the session to permit those attending the GHS Subcommittee to attend as well. We are mentioning this at this session to allow for delegations to share with their experts as soon as possible.
 4. Topics that may be addressed would include:
 - Managing the indicative list of Category A pathogens;
 - Removal of the technical name requirement for UN2814 and UN2900 from shippers declaration;
 - P650 restriction in UN3373 and lithium batteries (other DG) in the same package;
 - Used medical device exception not applicable with lithium batteries (other DG) are in the same package.
 - Dry Shipper (special provision 346) to transport UN3373
 - P650 (6) and 6.3.5.3 vs. P650 (9) and 5.5.3 – test requirements
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