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Corrections to the draft 2007 amendments to ADR

Note by the secretariat

- 1. Reference is made to the draft amendments to ADR concerning new provisions for transport of dangerous goods in road tunnels (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/186/Add.1).
- 2. The secretariat notes that there are still a few inconsistencies as regards the assignment of tunnel restriction codes to individual entries in the dangerous goods list of table A of Chapter 3.2.
- 3. The tunnel restriction code (E) has been assigned to UN 3359 FUMIGATED UNIT. According to special provision 302, fumigated units are only subject to the provisions of 5.5.2. Therefore the tunnel restriction code (E) should be replaced by "(-)".
- 4. According to 1.9.5.3.6, tunnel restrictions shall not apply when dangerous goods are carried in accordance with 1.1.3. As a consequence the tunnel restrictions would not apply when the dangerous goods are carried in quantities below the limits of 1.1.3.6, i.e. when no orange plate is required. For goods of transport category 4 carried in packaged form, there is no limit, and therefore no orange plate is required whatever the quantity is. As a consequence, there would be no tunnel restriction for the carriage of the following goods (the carriage of which is not authorized in bulk or in tank):
 - All goods of Class 1, division 1.4, compatibility group S;
 - Class 4.1: UN Nos 1331, 1944, 1945, 2254 and 2623 (matches);
 - Class 7: UN Nos. 2908, 2909, 2910, 2911 (excepted packages of radioactive material)

- Class 9: UN No. 3268 (airbags, etc.).

Therefore the Working Party may wish to consider whether the tunnel restriction code « (E) » should be assigned to these entries, although in practice there would be no restriction, or it could be replaced by "(-)".

5. If the Working Party decided to amend the allocation of codes, consequential changes would be needed in the last sentence of 1.9.5.2.2 before the NOTE, and the table of allocation of changes to column (15) of table A of Chapter 3.2.

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