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Reports of informal working groups

First report of the Informal Working Group on when a cargo tank can be declared "gas free"

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I. Introduction

1. During its 23rd session the ADN Safety Committee discussed the document about the definition of "Gas Free" (2013/INF.25). The Safety Committee decided to organize an informal working group on this topic to further examine the issues raised (2013/INF.25 and ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/48, para.74).

II. Correspondence group

2. The first consultation of the informal working group was done by correspondence. A table was drafted with all the relevant provisions, on which the members of the correspondence group were asked to comment.

III. Meeting in Bonn

3. Based on the responses a new document will be drafted which will be discussed at the meeting of the Informal Working Group on when a cargo tank can be declared "gas free". This working group is planned for 12 March 2014 at the German Ministry of Transport in Bonn.

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