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Explosives and related matters: review of Chapter 2.1 of the GHS

Thirty-third session

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Classification criteria and related hazard communication: review of Chapter 2.1

Updated draft Programme of Work for the revision of GHS Chapter 2.1

Transmitted by the expert from Sweden

1. The draft Programme of Work as presented in the annex to the status report from the informal correspondence group on the revision of Chapter 2.1 GHS (Explosives)¹ was discussed after the Working Group on Explosives had finished their work. The outcome of these discussions resulted in a few suggested amendments to that programme. The amended draft Programme of Work is reproduced here below.

Task	Description of task	To be	Comment
nr.		concluded	
1	Assess the problems with Chapter 2.1 as in GHS	May 2017	On-going, almost concluded
	Rev.7 and assess their urgency.		
2	Propose various possible solutions to the	May 2017	On-going, almost concluded
	problems and make a rough assessment of their		
	potential drawbacks.		
3	Decide on framework for how to solve the	July 2017	To be done at UN-sessions in July 2017
	problems identified.		
4	Propose draft text for amended Chapter 2.1	October 2017	Submit INF to December SC. To be done
	within the framework of Task nr. 3.		at and after UN-sessions in July. Receive
			input from SC:s.
5	Analyse the consequences of the proposed	February 2018	
	solutions.		
6	Make initial suggestions for amendments to	March 2018	For WD (or INF)-submission to UN-
	Chapter 2.1, if and as appropriate.		sessions in June/July 2018. Receive input
			from SC:s.
7	Make final suggestions for amendments to	September	For WD-submission to UN-sessions in
	Chapter 2.1, if and as appropriate.	2018	December 2018. SCGHS to decide.

¹ See UN-SCEGHS-33-INF07e-UN-SCETDG-51-INF15e