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**Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods**

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Item 5 (b) of the provisional agenda:

**Proposals for amendments to annexes A and B of ADR:**

**miscellaneous proposals**

 Editorial amendments to Special Provision 3 in Chapter 8.5 and figure 5.2.1.0.1.2

 Transmitted by the Government of the United Kingdom

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| *Summary* |
| **Executive summary**: Editorial amendments proposed to address unclear phrasing in Chapter 8.5 and a numbering error at figure 5.2.1.0.1.2. |
| **Action to be taken**: Amend the wording in Special Provision 3 in Chapter 8.5 and correct the numbering error in Figure 5.2.1.0.1.2 |
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 Introduction

1. The United Kingdom has identified two errors contained in ADR.

2. The first concerns Special Provision 3 contained in Chapter 8.5. The United Kingdom believes some of the current wording is unclear and misleading, and should be changed. We have proposed alternative wording.

3. The second error is simply incorrect numbering at Figure 5.2.1.0.1.2. Based on the previous figure (5.2.1.10.1.1) the subsequent figure’s numbering should be 5.2.1.10.1.2 and not 5.2.1.0.1.2 as it is currently. The would also be in line with the current numbering in RID.

 Proposals

 Proposal 1

4. In Chapter 8.5, S3 Special provision concerning the carriage of infectious substances states that:

“The requirements of the table columns (2), (3) and (5) in 8.1.4.1 and 8.3.4 shall not apply.”

5. Whilst 8.1.4.1 has a table with those columns, the sub-section 8.3.4 does not contain a table. The current wording of this sentence implies that there is a table at 8.3.4. However, 8.3.4 is simply a sentence that states:

“The portable lighting apparatus used shall not exhibit any metal surface liable to produce sparks.”

6. The proposal, therefore, is to amend this sentence so that it no longer unintentionally and incorrectly implies that a table exists at 8.3.4. This would be achieved by changing the text in Chapter 8.5 - Special Provision S3 of ADR, to state (added text in bold):

“The requirements of the table columns (2), (3) and (5) in 8.1.4.1 and **the requirement in** 8.3.4 shall not apply.”

 Proposal 2

7. There is currently incorrect numbering at Figure 5.2.1.0.1.2.

8. Based on the previous figure (5.2.1.10.1.1) the subsequent figure’s numbering should be 5.2.1.10.1.2 and not 5.2.1.0.1.2 as it is currently.

9. We propose simply adding in the number 1 before the number 0, so that figure 5.2.1.0.1.2 becomes 5.2.1.**10**.1.2.