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**Implementation of the European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of**

**Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways (ADN)**

**Special authorizations, derogations and equivalents**

Special authorization concerning UN 1288 SHALE OIL

Submitted by the Government of the Netherlands[[1]](#footnote-2)\*, [[2]](#footnote-3)\*\*

Introduction

1. The Netherlands government has received a request for a special authorization concerning the transport of UN 1288 SHALE OIL in tank vessels. The request has been submitted to the competent authority according to ADN 1.5.2.

2. The request for the special authorization has been submitted by the VOMS (Vereniging van Ondernemingen in de Milieudienstverlening ten behoeve van de Scheepvaart) on behalf of a number of members of the organization. The request, in conformity with the model in ADN 3.2.4.1, is presented in annex I of informal document INF.3.

3. The competent authority has considered the application and has drawn up a special authorization based on the criteria contained in subsection ADN 3.2.4.3. The special authorizations were granted to the members of the VOMS on behalf of which the request was done. These special authorizations are presented in annex II of informal document INF.3.

4. The request for the special authorization and the subsequently granted special authorizations have been submitted to the ADN Administrative Committee for consideration. However, the Dutch delegation would like to request the ADN Safety Committee to consider this special authorization as well and to take action as it deems appropriate.

1. \* Distributed in German by the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine under the symbol CCNR-ZKR/ADN/WP.15/AC.2/2021/20. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. \*\* In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2021 as outlined in proposed programme budget for 2021 (A/75/6 (Sect.20) para 20.51). [↑](#footnote-ref-3)