

## Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

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System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

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**Work on the Globally Harmonized System (GHS):  
improvement of annexes 1 to 3 and further  
rationalization of precautionary statements**

### **Status of the work of the Annex 1-3 informal working group**

**Transmitted by the expert from United Kingdom on behalf of the  
informal working group**

#### **Introduction**

1. This informal paper provides an update on the work undertaken by the informal working group on the revision of Annexes 1-3 since the thirty-ninth session of the Sub-Committee.

#### **Background**

2. At the thirty-ninth session, the Sub-Committee agreed the group's programme of work for the 2021-2022 biennium<sup>1</sup> and were also provided with an update on the progress of the working group since the previous session<sup>2</sup>.

#### **Status report**

3. Since the last meeting of the Sub-Committee, the working group has actively taken forward, via correspondence, several items on its work programme. The outcomes include the following working documents submitted by the United Kingdom on behalf of the working group for consideration by the Sub-Committee at its fortieth session in July 2021

- **ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2021/1** – “Combination statement amendments to sections 1, 2 and 3 of Annex 3”
- **ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2021/2** – “Amendments to sections 2 and 3 of Annex 3”

4. The informal working group is currently progressing several other issues from their work plan, including respiratory sensitizers and other issues identified in Annex 3.

5. The working group will continue its work via correspondence and virtual meetings.

6. The Sub-Committee is invited to note the progress of the Annexes 1-3 working group.

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<sup>1</sup> see ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/78 and informal document INF.21 (39<sup>th</sup> session).

<sup>2</sup> see ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/78 and informal document INF.20 (39<sup>th</sup> session).