DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)

TWENTIETH MEETING

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(Presented by R. Richard)

1. **INTRODUCTION**

In Part 8, Chapter 1, the TI includes provisions for dangerous goods carried by 1.1 passengers or crew. 8;1.1.1 indicates that "...dangerous goods, including excepted packages of radioactive material, must not be carried by passengers or crew members, either as or in carry-on baggage or checked baggage *or on their person*...." The text has been interpreted by some national authorities to mean that the term "on their person" does not include in carry on baggage. This interpretation is very conservative and leads to problems in enforcement and security screening. A practical means of addressing what is implied by "on their person" would be to define the term to include one's clothing even if removed and placed in an overhead compartment and in one's carry on luggage. To illustrate the practical application one needs to consider that a very conservative interpretation which excludes carry-on luggage precludes a passenger or crew member from removing an item of dangerous goods permitted in 8;1 and placing it in their carry on baggage or stowed overcoat during flight. There is no way to prevent this and therefore it would make sense to consider the words "on their person" to include any item carried aboard an aircraft by a passenger or crew member, including what would otherwise be construed as "carry-on baggage". At WG/05 the member nominated by the United States submitted a proposed definition of "On one's person" (see DGP-WG/05-IP/12). The suggested definition was as follows:

On one's person means any item carried aboard an aircraft by a passenger, including what would otherwise be construed as "carry-on baggage". Therefore, a passenger is authorized to carry dangerous goods that are permitted "on their person" onto an aircraft in their clothing, carry-on baggage, fanny pack, purse, briefcase, or any other item under their control. However, the phrase "on their person" does not include those items which are considered "checked baggage".

2. **PROPOSAL**

- 2.1 Revise 8;1.1.1 to read as follows:
- 1.1.1 Except as otherwise provided in 1.1.2 below, dangerous goods, including excepted packages of radioactive material, must not be carried by passengers or crew members, either as or in carry-on baggage or on one's person including checked baggage or on their person. When dangerous goods are permitted to be carried on one's person this includes in their clothing, carry-on baggage, fanny pack, purse, briefcase, or any other item under their personal control. Security type equipment such as attaché cases, cash boxes, cash bags, etc. incorporating dangerous goods, for example lithium batteries or pyrotechnic material, are totally forbidden; see entry in Table 3-1.
- 2.2 In the Glossary add a new definition for "on one's person" as follows:

ON ONE'S PERSON. On one's person includes clothing, carry-on baggage, fanny pack, purse, briefcase, or any other item under a passenger's personal control.

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