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DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)

MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP OF THE WHOLE

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Agenda Item 2: Development of recommendations for amendments to the *Technical Instructions* for incorporation in the 2007/2008 edition
2.5: Part 5 — Shipper's Responsibilities

DANGEROUS GOODS TRANSPORT DOCUMENT - DECLARATION OF QUANTITY

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 In the 2003-2004 edition of the Technical Instructions, Part 5;4.1.5.1 was added to align with 5.4.1.5.1 of the UN Model Regulations, and now requires the total quantity of dangerous goods covered by the description of each item of dangerous goods bearing a different proper shipping name to be stated on the Dangerous Goods Transport Document. This means that if a shipper had, say, paint in quantities 10 x 5 litres and 5 x 10 litres, the new provision would require the total quantity of 100 litres to be quoted on the Transport Document. However, this now means the requirement of 7;4.1f) for the completion of the written information to the pilot-in-command cannot be complied with by the operator, since that document requires the net quantity of each package to be quoted, which is what was previously required to be specified on the transport document.

1.2 This issue was discussed at DGP 19 and it is this member's recollection that the Panel agreed that 5;4.1.5.1 the Technical Instructions should revert to it's previous version as per the 2001-2002 edition, with the UN being advised of this change, although no reference to this discussion can be found in the report of DGP 19. The only alternative would be to revise the provisions of the written information to the pilot-in-command which the Panel was loathe to do. Consequently, the following proposal is made.

2. PROPOSAL

2.1 Amend 5;4.1.5.1 the Technical Instructions as follows:

4.1.5.1 Total quantity of dangerous goods

Except for empty uncleaned packagings, the ~~total quantity of dangerous goods covered by the description (by volume or mass as appropriate)~~ net mass or the net volume or the gross mass, as appropriate, for every package of each item of dangerous goods bearing a different proper shipping name, UN number or packing group must be included. For dangerous goods transported in salvage packagings……..

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