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 2005/2006 edition

STATE OF ORIGIN

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 There are a number of Special Provisions such as A1 and A2 that require that the shipper obtain approval from the "State of origin". The shipper will understand and expect that the "State of origin" will be the State in which the cargo is provided to the operator.

1.2 For the operator however, the "State of origin" is defined in Part 1;3.1 - Definitions (and Annex 18, Chapter 1) as: "The State in the territory of which the cargo was first loaded on an aircraft.".

1.3 However, with the development of alliances and code share agreements between operators and between operators and other logistics providers, shipments being transported under a Special Provision requiring the approval of the State of origin may be accepted by an operator in one State, but then be transported by other than air to another State prior to being loaded on an aircraft.

1.4 Under this circumstance the shipper may not be aware that the shipment is being transported to another State prior to being loaded on an aircraft. Therefore the shipper is not complying with the technical requirement of the Special Provision in obtaining the approval of the authority in the State in which the cargo is first loaded on an aircraft.

2. PROPOSAL 1

2.1 Modify "State of Origin" in 1;3 - Definitions as follows: "**State of Origin**. The State in the territory in which the cargo was accepted by an operator."

2.2 If this proposal is accepted it will require an amendment to the definition in Annex 18.

3. PROPOSAL 2

3.1 Alternatively, modify Special Provisions A1, A2, A17, A49, A62, A78, A88, A99, A106 and A109 to add "of the cargo" following "State of origin".

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