



WORKING PAPER

DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)

TWENTY-FIRST MEETING

Montréal, 5 to 16 November 2007

**AGENDA, TERMS OF REFERENCE, WORK PROGRAMME AND
PROPOSED TIMELINE FOR DGP/21**

(Presented by the Secretary)

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The agenda for the twenty-first meeting of the Dangerous Goods Panel (DGP/21), as approved by the Air Navigation Commission (175-15) on 21 June 2007, is reproduced in Appendix A. For ease of reference in compiling the report, the numbers and headings of the agenda items will be included exactly as written in Appendix A. The report will show all information and action taken relative to the agenda item.

1.2 The terms of reference and work programme, as approved by the Air Navigation Commission, are presented in Appendix B.

2. LANGUAGES OF THE MEETING

2.1 The working languages of the meeting, as approved by the Air Navigation Commission, are English, French, Russian and Spanish.

3. ORGANIZATION OF THE MEETING

3.1 The timeline for DGP/21 agenda items appears in Appendix C. This is a provisional timeline which will be approved by the meeting during the opening session as an initial guideline for the time that is expected to be spent on each item. It should be noted that the approved timeline may, if the need arises, be adjusted at any time during the session by further agreement among the members.

3.2 The meeting will sit as a whole to deal with the agenda. However, since Monday, 12 November is a statutory holiday in Canada, language services will not be provided on that day and the panel will meet as a working group of the whole. Small drafting groups or ad hoc working groups may also be formed as necessary. Such groups, if established, will have a nominated rapporteur,

will work informally without interpretation facilities and will normally meet outside of the hours of the main meeting.

4. **WORKING HOURS**

4.1 The working hours proposed are as follows:

Monday through Friday: 0930* to 1230 hours and
1400 to 1700 hours
with short coffee breaks.

* Except for special opening session on 5 November at
1000 preceded by an informal meeting of panel
members only at 0945

5. **ACTION BY THE DGP**

5.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) note the agenda at Appendix A;
- b) note the terms of reference and work programme at Appendix B; and
- c) approve the proposed timeline in Appendix C with the understanding that it will be subject to further review and amendment if necessary as the meeting progresses.

APPENDIX A

**AGENDA FOR THE TWENTY-FIRST MEETING OF THE
DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP/21)**

- Agenda Item 1:** Development of proposals, if necessary, for amendments to Annex 18 — *The Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air*
- Agenda Item 2:** Development of recommendations for amendments to the *Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air* (Doc 9284) for incorporation in the 2009-2010 Edition
- Agenda Item 3:** Development of recommendations for amendments to the *Supplement to the Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air* (Doc 9284) for incorporation in the 2009-2010 Edition
- Agenda Item 4:** Amendments to the *Emergency Response Guidance for Aircraft Incidents involving Dangerous Goods* (Doc 9481) for incorporation in the 2009-2010 Edition
- Agenda Item 5:** Resolution, where possible, of the non-recurrent work items identified by the Air Navigation Commission or the panel
- 5.1:** Principles governing the transport of dangerous goods on cargo only aircraft
 - 5.2:** Reformatting of the packing instructions
 - 5.3:** Review of provisions for dangerous goods carried by passengers and crew
 - 5.4:** Review of provisions for dangerous goods relating to lithium batteries
 - 5.5:** Review of amendment process for the *Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air* (Doc 9284)
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APPENDIX B

**TERMS OF REFERENCE AND WORK PROGRAMME OF THE
DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)**

Terms of reference

To recommend changes to maintain the Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air in an up-to-date condition and to carry out other tasks related to the ICAO dangerous goods programme as directed by the Air Navigation Commission.

Work programme

ANC Task No.	Work Programme Item	Estimated Completion Date
OPS-7603	1) Recommend changes to the Technical Instructions so as to ensure that it remains an up-to-date, comprehensive and readily usable document which will facilitate safe and expeditious transport of dangerous goods by air and that it is compatible, as far as practicable, with the recommendations of the United Nations Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and of other involved agencies of the United Nations and also taking into account the interests of intermodal compatibility.	Ongoing
"	2) Advise the Air Navigation Commission on the need for Annex amendments or any other matters pertaining to the safe transport of dangerous goods, as appropriate.	
"	3) Review of the principles governing the transport of dangerous goods on cargo only aircraft, and, if appropriate, the subsequent development of amendments to the related provisions of the Technical Instructions.	

APPENDIX C

**PROPOSED TIME SCHEDULE
FOR DISCUSSION AT DGP/21**

Date	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12 ^B	13	14	15	16
Day	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Special sessions	A											
Discussion sessions	2	1, 2	2, 5	2, 5	2, 5			2, 3, 4	2, 3, 4	2, 3, 4		
Approval of draft report on agenda items											1, 2, 3, 4	1, 2, 3, 4, 5

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- B Monday, 12 November is a statutory holiday in Canada; language services will not be provided on that day and the panel will meet as a working group of the whole.

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