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**DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)**

**TWENTY-FIRST MEETING**

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**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**

**ELECTRONIC DANGEROUS GOODS TRANSPORT DATA**

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**1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 A discussion was held at DGP-WG/07 on developing the possibility of using electronic data interchange for the transport of dangerous goods, which could expedite their shipment and enhance the safety and security of the transport process.

1.2 When transporting radioactive material a situation may arise where a consignment is undeliverable (see 7;1;1.5) due to a wrong address, incorrect shipping name, lack of import authorization or documentary evidence of the compliance of the design with the applicable requirements (5;1.2.3.2 and 5;1.2.3.3). In these cases, the operator must put the consignment in a safe place which as a rule is located in the customs area, is not equipped to store radioactive waste and is, thus, not suitable unless there is documentary evidence confirming that the shipment is safe.

1.3 Furthermore, the work carried out by the World Customs Organization on enhancing the safety of the delivery chain makes the unloading of radioactive material without advance notification of the existence of the abovementioned documents virtually unpredictable.

**2. ACTION BY THE DGP**

2.1 The DGP is invited to:

2.2 Amend Part 5, Chapter 1, paragraph 1.2.3 by adding a paragraph 1.2.3.4:

1.2.3.4 The consignor's information may be transmitted by the operator to the competent authority by means of electronic transmission of a copy of the documents.

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