DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)

TWENTY-THIRD MEETING

Montréal, 11 to 21 October 2011

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 2013-2014 Edition

PROPOSAL TO REQUIRE ORGANIZATIONS OR ENTERPRISES OFFERING SERVICES FOR 'EXCESS BAGGAGE' TO SEEK CONFIRMATION ABOUT DANGEROUS GOODS WHICH ARE NOT PERMITTED IN PASSENGERS' BAGGAGE

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SUMMARY

This paper proposes an amendment related to Part 8;1.1.3. in order to impose a requirement to provide information about the types of dangerous goods which are forbidden in 'excess baggage'. It has been modified from a proposal made at the DGP Working Group of the Whole Meeting in Atlantic City (DGP-WG/11, 4 to 8 April 2011) (DGP/23-WP/3, paragraph 3.2.50 refers).

Action by the DGP: The DGP is invited to consider adding a new paragraph to Part 7 of the Technical Instructions (7;5.2.3) to specifically include places where 'excess baggage' is consigned, as presented in the appendix to this working paper.

1. **INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 Part 8;1.1.2 of the Technical allows for certain dangerous goods to be carried by passengers and crew in 'excess baggage'.
- 1.2 Part 8;1.1.3 requires organizations or enterprises other than operators offering services to passengers to provide information about the types of dangerous goods which are forbidden in passengers' baggage.
- 1.3 A similar requirement exists for cargo acceptance areas in relation to cargo and is found in 7;4.7.

- 1.4 However, the requirements of 7;4.7 do not specifically address the requirements of 8;1.1.3 in relation to providing information about the types of dangerous goods which are forbidden in passengers' baggage.
- 1.5 Therefore, there is important information relating to 'excess baggage' that differs from what can usually be accepted as 'cargo'.
- 1.6 Operators must provide this type of information in accordance with 7;5.1.
- 1.7 Operators must also take certain steps at the check-in of baggage in accordance with 7;5.2 to seek confirmation about dangerous goods in checked-in baggage.
- 1.8 Similar requirements should therefore exist for excess baggage.

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APPENDIX

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO PART 7

Part 7

OPERATOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

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Chapter 5

PROVISIONS CONCERNING PASSENGERS AND CREW

5.2 PASSENGER CHECK-IN PROCEDURES

- 5.2.1 Operators' check-in staff must be adequately trained to assist them in identifying and detecting dangerous goods carried by passengers other than as permitted in 8;1.1.2.
- 5.2.2 With the aim of preventing dangerous goods, which passengers are not permitted to have, from being taken aboard an aircraft in passengers' baggage or on their person, check-in staff should seek confirmation from a passenger that they are not carrying dangerous goods that are not permitted, and seek further confirmation about the contents of any item where there are suspicions that it may contain dangerous goods that are not permitted. Many innocuous-looking items may contain dangerous goods, and a list of general descriptions which, experience has shown, often apply to such items is shown in 7:6.
- 5.2.3 With the aim of preventing dangerous goods, which a passenger is not permitted to have, from being taken aboard an aircraft in excess baggage consigned as cargo, an operator or the operator's handling agent and any organization or enterprise other than an operator accepting excess baggage consigned as cargo, must seek confirmation from the passenger, or a person acting on behalf of the passenger, that the excess baggage does not contain dangerous goods that are not permitted, and seek further confirmation about the contents of any item where there are suspicions that it may contain dangerous goods that are not permitted.