



WORKING PAPER

**DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP)
MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP OF THE WHOLE**

Beijing, China, 25 October to 3 November 2006

Agenda Item 1: Development of proposals, if necessary, for amendments to Annex 18 — *The Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air*

Agenda Item 5: Resolution, where possible, of the non-recurrent work items identified by the Air Navigation Commission or the panel
5.5: Safety management systems

SAFETY MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

(Presented by the Secretary)

SUMMARY

As a follow-up to DGP/20, this paper discusses the need to establish a safety management system for the transport of dangerous goods by air.

Action by the DGP-WG is in paragraph 2.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 At DGP/20, the panel agreed to add, as a non-recurrent work item, a consideration of the need to establish a safety management system (SMS) for the transport of dangerous goods by air (paragraph 1.2.1 of DGP/20-WP/93 refers).

1.2 Following a preliminary analysis by the Secretariat of Annex 18, in particular of Chapters 2 — Applicability; 8 — Operator's responsibilities and 10 — Establishment of training programmes, it is suggested there is no need for such a system to be included. However, it is recognized that SMS for dangerous goods may have been developed by some States. Members are invited to inform the working group if such a system exists in their State.

2. ACTION BY THE DGP-WG

2.1 The DGP-WG is invited to note paragraph 1.2 above and inform the working group if SMS for dangerous goods have been developed by their States.

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