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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 2011/2012 Edition

Agenda Item 2.7: Part 7 — Operator's Responsibilities

ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION OF INFORMATION TO THE PILOT-IN-COMMAND

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SUMMARY

This paper seeks the opinion of the DGP-WG concerning the electronic transmission of information to the pilot-in-command and the necessity to amend and/ or clarify the provisions of Part 7;4.1 of the *Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air* (Doc 9284).

Action by the DGP-WG is in paragraph 2.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 During dangerous goods inspections it was found that some airlines provide the information to the pilot-in-command in electronic form. Although often a written and signed copy is also available, in some cases the electronic form is the only means of information to the pilot-in command.

1.2 Part 7;4.1.3 of the Technical Instructions requires that the information provided to the pilot-in command must also include a signed confirmation, or some other indication, from the person responsible for loading the aircraft that there was no evidence of any damage to or leakage from the packages loaded on the aircraft and Part 7;4.1.6 requires that the pilot-in-command must indicate on a copy of the information provided to the pilot-in command, or in some other way, that the information has been received. Compliance with the abovementioned provisions seems to lead to discussion and differences in interpretation

2. ACTION BY THE DGP-WG

2.1 The DGP-WG is invited to discuss the acceptability and conditions of providing information to the pilot-in-command only in electronic form. Depending on the outcome of the discussions a formal proposal may be submitted for next meeting.

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