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MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP OF THE WHOLE**

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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

2.3: Part 3 — Dangerous Goods List and Limited Quantities Exceptions

BALLS USED FOR PLAYING SPORTS

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SUMMARY

This is a proposal of balls used for playing sports to be considered as exceptions for compressed gases and the material of celluloid.

Action by the DGP-WG is in paragraph 2.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 We receive sometimes an inquiry whether the balls for table tennis (ping –pong) should be treated as dangerous goods or not. But there are no appropriate provision as far as the balls for table tennis are concerned except UN 2000 **Celluloid**, in blocks, rods, rolls, sheets, tubes, etc. (except scrap), Division 4.1, Solid flammable, PGIII, -- -- 407/25kg 407/100kg , A3, A48. There must be many kinds of balls for playing sports which are carried by passengers of players as baggage, or carried as cargo since so many kinds of sporting events prevailing all over the world.

1.2 There should be clear provisions appropriately applied to balls for sports like soccer balls (with more than 600kPa to 900kPa), tennis balls, basket balls, volleyball, baseballs soft balls, table tennis balls, etc., which are apt to be easily slipped out the passenger check-in and security screening gate and are, besides this, not prescribed to be treated as dangerous goods in an airline's procedure manuals.

2. ACTION BY THE DGP-WG

2.1

The DGP-WG is invited to discuss and agree with the following proposals:

- a) To establish Special Provision Axxx to the entry of UN 2000 **Celluloid**, as follows:

A xxx Balls used for playing table tennis are not subject to these Instructions.

- b) To establish Special Provision Axxx to UN 1956 **Compressed gas, n.o.s.**, Division 2.2 Gas non-flammable, and UN 1002 **Air, compressed**, as follows:

A xxx Balls with compressed gases used for playing sports are not subject to these Instructions.

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