DANGEROUS GOODS PANEL (DGP) 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 2013/2014 Edition

2.5: Part 5 — Shipper's Responsibilities

AID IN RECOGNITION OF UNDECLARED DANGEROUS GOODS

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SUMMARY

This paper seeks to clarify the general requirements in Part 5;1.1 of the *Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air* (Doc 9284), which deal with the shipper's responsibilities when shipping goods listed in Part 7;6:6.1 of the Technical Instructions.

Action by the DGP-WG is in paragraph 2.

1. **INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 A proposal was made at DGP/22 (DGP/22-WP /83) to require confirmation from shippers in advanced documentation that their consignment did not contain any of the items appearing in the list of potential dangerous goods shown in Part 7;6 and to declare this on the air waybill with the wording "NOT RESTRICTED".
- 1.2 One of the arguments against this proposal was that it would be inappropriate to impose a mandatory dangerous goods requirement on shippers who do not ship dangerous goods and might not necessarily have knowledge of dangerous goods regulations.
- 1.3 On the other hand there was some support for the proposal and a recommendation to prepare a new working paper.
- 1.4 Shippers who do not necessarily have knowledge of dangerous goods regulations are not able to identify and classify dangerous properties of articles or substances contained in the consignment, and from their point of view it is non-dangerous goods, so the function to identify and classify dangerous

properties of goods listed in Part 7;6:6.1 of the Technical Instructions is transferred from shippers to operator's acceptance staff.

1.5 To provide aid to operator acceptance staff in the recognition of undeclared dangerous goods, it is proposed to consider the listed names in Part 7;6:6.1 as dangerous goods, unless it proven by the shipper that the consignment does not contain articles or substances with properties restricted for transport by Technical Instructions.

2. **ACTION BY THE DGP-WG**

2.1 The DGP-WG is invited to add a note in Part 5;1.1:

Part 5

SHIPPER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

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Chapter 1

GENERAL

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1.1 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

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Note.— For cooling purposes, an overpack may contain dry ice, provided that the overpack meets the requirements of Packing Instruction 954.

Note 2. — Goods listed in Part 7;6:6.1 are considered as dangerous goods, until the documents presented to the operator confirm the absence of articles and substances listed in Table 3-1.