

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

## Montréal, 15 to 19 April 2013

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

#### **AMENDMENT 11 to ANNEX 18**

(Presented by the Secretary)

#### **SUMMARY**

Amendment 11 to Annex 18 was adopted by Council on 27 February 2013 (C 198-5). Minor revisions to the original amendments proposed at DGP/23 were made, based on comments by States. This information paper describes the revisions made and provides the amendments adopted by Council.

#### 1. **INTRODUCTION**

1.1 Amendment 11 to Annex 18 was adopted by Council on 27 February 2013 (C 198-5). The amendment originated from Recommendations 1/2 and 1/3 of DGP/23 and is related to requirements for State inspection systems in Chapter 11 and to certain definitions in Chapter 1. The amendments proposed at DGP/23 were sent to States for comment following the review by the Air Navigation Commission (ANC) of the DGP/23 Report.

## 2. REVISIONS TO THE AMENDMENTS PROPOSED AT DGP/23

2.1 Based on comments from States, minor revisions of an editorial nature were made to the definition for "UN number". An additional amendment to remove the definition for "Incompatible" was also made, recognizing that the term was not used anywhere in Annex 18. The Secretariat determined that the term was used in the first edition of Annex 18 in relation to a Standard on operators' responsibilities for stowing dangerous goods. The Standard was subsequently moved to the Technical Instructions where the definition was replicated, making it unnecessary for it to remain in Annex 18. Retaining it in the Annex was an oversight.

- Revisions were also made to the note under paragraph 11.1 to more clearly indicate the types of inspection, surveillance and enforcement procedures needed as part of a State's inspection system. During the Council's review, it was agreed to add a second note under this paragraph referring to guidance material on State inspection systems in the Supplement to the Technical Instructions (Doc 9284SU). It was discovered following the adoption by Council of Amendment 11 to Annex 18 that this reference is incomplete in that it refers only to guidance material on operator oversight and not to the new guidance material on shipper oversight. This omission (highlighted in yellow in the appendix to this working paper) will be corrected before Amendment 11 is sent to States.
- 2.3 The amendments adopted by Council are contained in the appendix to this information paper.

#### **APPENDIX**

### **AMENDMENT 11 TO ANNEX 18**

## CHAPTER 1. DEFINITIONS

When the following terms are used in this Annex, they have the following meanings:

. . .

*Incompatible.* Describing dangerous goods which, if mixed, would be liable to cause a dangerous evolution of heat or gas or produce a corrosive substance.

. . .

**State of Destination.** The State in the territory of which the consignment is finally to be unloaded from an aircraft.

State of Origin. The State in the territory of which the consignment—was is first to be loaded on an aircraft.

. . .

UN number. The four-digit number assigned by the United Nations Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals to identify an article or substance or a particular group of articles or substances.

• • •

## CHAPTER 11. COMPLIANCE

## 11.1 Inspection systems

Each Contracting State shall establish inspection, surveillance and enforcement procedures <u>for all entities</u> <u>performing any function prescribed in its regulations for air transport of dangerous goods</u> with a view to achieving compliance with <u>its dangerous goods those</u> regulations.

Note 1.— It is envisaged that these procedures would include provisions for the inspection of both documents and cargo and operators' practices as well as providing a method for the investigation of alleged violations (see 11.3).

A-2

- inspecting dangerous goods consignments prepared, offered, accepted or transported by the entities referred to in paragraph 11.1;
- inspecting the practices of the entities referred to in paragraph 11.1; and
- investigating alleged violations (see 11.3).

Note 2.— Guidance on dangerous goods inspections and enforcement may be found in the Supplement to the Technical Instructions (Part S-5, Chapter 1 and Part S-7, Chapters 5 and 6).

...