RID: 13th Session of the RID Committee of Experts’ standing working group  
(Geneva, 15 – 19 November 2021)

Subject: 109th session of WP.15 (Geneva, 4 - 7 May 2021) – addition

Information from the Secretariat

Introduction

1. In document OTIF/RID/CE/GTP/2021/1, the Secretariat compiled extracts from the report of the 109th session of WP.15, which might also be of interest for the work of the RID Committee of Experts’ standing working group.

2. The United Kingdom drew the Secretariat’s attention to the fact that the following point should also be mentioned:

   Extract from the report of the 109th session of WP.15 (Geneva, 4 - 7 May 2021) (document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/253)

   VII. Proposed amendments to annexes A and B of ADR (agenda item 5)

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   B. Miscellaneous proposals

   1. Addition of a reference to MEMUs in the Model for report on occurrences during the carriage of dangerous goods

   Document: ECE/TRANS/WP.15/2021/1 (Sweden)

   34. The Working Party adopted the proposal (see annex I).
Extract from Annex I of document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/253

Chapter 1.8

1.8.5.4 In the third page of the “Model for report on occurrences during the carriage of dangerous goods”, in the cell for note (3), add a new entry at the end to read “17 MEMU”.

[Reference document: ECE/TRANS/WP.15/2021/1]

Proposal

3. The model report for accidents that occur during the carriage of dangerous goods was developed jointly for RID and ADR. It contains both information relevant only to rail transport and information relevant only to road transport (see in particular point 2 of the model).

4. Footnote 3 to the table in point 6 lists all types of means of containment as used in rail and road transport.

5. Provisions for Mobile Explosives Manufacturing Units (MEMU) were included in the 2009 edition of ADR, particularly in Chapters 4.7 and 6.12.

6. It is therefore a logical consequence to include this relatively new means of containment in the accident report model, as on the one hand there is a single accident report model for RID and ADR and on the other, MEMUs can also be carried by rail in piggyback transport.

7. The Secretariat therefore proposes to adopt the above amendment for RID as well.