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<u>Information transmitted by Latvia concerning joint proposal</u> <u>transmitted by Slovakia and Czech Republic (Inf. 7)</u>

Latvia fully supports the proposal transmitted by Slovakia and Czech Republic, but we would like to inform that text of 5.3.7.1 of Annex 2 to SMGS 2011 included in document OTIF/RID/CE/GTP/2012/9 will differ in 2013 SMGS edition.

The wording of 5.3.7.1 text of Annex 2 to SMGS 2011 edition is the following:

"5.3.7.1 The emergency card number shall be indicated:

- on the placard between class number and the hazard symbol indicating the main or the only hazard of the dangerous goods,
- or
- on a separate white plate 400x200 mm of size with black border 10 mm in stroke width."

However, the wording of 5.3.7.1 text of Annex 2 to SMGS of 2013 edition will be the following:

"5.3.7.1 The emergency card number shall be indicated:

a) on wagons, tank-wagons and battery-wagons:

- on the placard between class number and the hazard symbol indicating the main or the only hazard of the dangerous goods,

- or
- on a separate white plate 400x200 mm of size with black border 10 mm in stroke width.

Note: When transporting dangerous goods to the Republic of Latvia, Republic of Lithuania, Republic of Poland, Republic of Estonia or in transit throughout the territories of these countries (with the exception of transporting goods to/from the Kaliningrad region of the Russian Federation) the emergency card number shall be indicated on a separate white plate.

b) on large containers, portable tanks, tank-containers and MEGC - on a separate white plate 400x200 mm of size with black border 10 mm in stroke width".