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on the Transport of Dangerous Goods**

### **Explanatory notes for assigning articles to UN No. 3633**

**Transmitted by the Government of the United Kingdom**

#### **Introduction**

1. The assignment of an article to UN 3633 only applies to articles which do not have a proper shipping name. Having adopted the new entries for articles there are now existing proper shipping names for them. Therefore they cannot be assigned to UN 3633 because they now have a proper shipping name.
2. In developing the new provisions for articles containing dangerous goods there was a clear distinction between existing proper shipping names and those proposed for the new entries for articles. In adopting the new provisions for articles this clear distinction has been lost.
3. The solution proposed by the delegations of Sweden and the United Kingdom to explain that articles may be assigned to UN 3633 when containing permitted quantities is to add a further note of explanation to paragraph 2.5.1 and a note to special provision 301.

#### **Proposal**

4. Insert Note 2 after the Note in paragraph 2.1.5:  
*Note 2: The term 'existing proper shipping name' in the Note above excludes specific N.O.S entries for UN No.'s 3537 to 3548.*
  5. Insert a note at the end of special provision 301:  
*Note: In this special provision the reference to 'a proper shipping name which already exists' excludes specific N.O.S. entries for UN No.'s 3537 to 3548.*
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