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## Amendment to 1.8.3 of RID/ADR/ADN

#### Transmitted by the Government of Italy\*, \*\*

## Introduction

1. Italy, having considered the text of 1.8.3, agreed to submit the following proposals to the joint meeting, with the intention of regulating certain issues.

## **Proposal 1** — evaluation of responses to the questions

2. Recognizing that each State has the right to establish the level of difficulty of the examination and that, in line with 1.8.3.15, "The certificate prescribed in 1.8.3.7 shall take the form laid down in 1.8.3.18 and shall be recognized by all Contracting Parties", Italy submits the following amendment to 1.8.3.12.4.

3. Amend 1.8.3.12.4 (a) to read as follows (changes in bold):

"(a) Candidates shall receive a questionnaire. It shall include at least 20 open questions covering at least the subjects mentioned in the list in 1.8.3.11.

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However, multiple choice questions may be used. In this case, two multiple choice questions count as one open question. A result of at least [9/10] is required to pass the examination. To achieve this result, all answers to multiple-choice questions must be correct. Amongst these subjects particular attention shall be paid to the following subjects:"

4. Amend 1.8.3.12.4 (b) to read as follows (changes in bold):

"(b) Candidates shall undertake a case study in keeping with the duties of the adviser referred to in 1.8.3.3, in order to demonstrate that they have the necessary qualifications to fulfil the task of adviser. A result of at least [8/10] is required to pass the examination."

### **Proposal 2**— Extension of the scope

5. Italy is of the view that there should be provision in RID/ADR/ADN for the case of extension of the scope of the certificate of an adviser and we therefore propose the introduction of a new paragraph:

"1.8.3.X Extension of the certificate

Where an adviser extends the scope of his or her certificate during its period of validity by meeting the requirements of 1.8.3.16.2, the period of validity of a new certificate shall remain that of the previous certificate.

(reference: final sentence of 8.2.2.8.2 of ADR)."