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IFTMBF Change Requests

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Change Procedure

■ **Message Usage**

The IFTMBF is commonly used for a firm booking from a customer to a shipping line.

However in the current reference, it is also used for the exchange of
DG bookings between shipping lines.
Currently the version "GA EDICOM 1.2" is used. Despite the naming, the usage of the message is by no means restricted to GA lines. HSDG is also one of the users, and currently the GA lines are promoting this message for use in the new G6 consortium.

■ **Responsibility**

In the past the IFTMBF message was not supervised by the SMDG. The responsible body to agree on the message structure was the TBG3 but it does not exist anymore since the reorganisation of the UN/CEFACT bodies.

On the last SMDG meeting in October the ***SMDG has taken responsibility for this message***.
The new MIG will be published on the SMDG website once it is finalized and approved.

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Summary of Changes

The following changes were presented in more detail on the SMDG meeting in May 2011

- **Change #1   DG N.O.S. Segregation**
  Issue: To report a Segregation Group for DG N.O.S. cargo for which no default segregation group is defined.
  Solution: Usage of an FTX segment, same solution as PROTECT has already agreed for the IFTDGN:
  `FTX+AAC++SEG+IMDG Code segregation group -:1 Acids'`

- **Change #2   UNNO Suffix**
  Issue: The UNNO Suffix is a code that describes different combinations of classes, sub-classes, packing groups and technical names for a UN No. It is not part of the official IMDG code, but it is provided by *Exis Technologies* and is commonly used. - Currently it cannot be reported.
  Solution: Usage of an FTX segment: `FTX+AAC++UNNO SUFFIX+12'`

- **Change #3   Emergency Contact**
  Issue: The phone number, the name and a reference for both the main and the alternative emergency contact have to be reported.
  Solution: In data element C056:3413 (Department or employee name code)
  ➔ Change User Attribute from 'X' to 'O'   and add the Note: *Emergency contact reference*

- **Change #4   Measurement Unit**
  Add two measurement unit codes MTQ (cubic metre) and FTQ (cubic foot) in de.C174 in the MEA segment.

Changes since last SMDG Meeting

1. **Re: Change #2   UNNO Suffix**

Following our initiative to include the suffix in the IFTMBF message, *Exis Technologies* suggested to introduce a ***structured code*** instead of the currently simple consecutive numbering.
GA-Lines agreed to this proposal.
The solution using the FTX segment remains the same as per original proposal, only now a 4-character code will be reported.

Each unique 4-character code describing a single variant, as follows:

Character	Description
1	The packing group, coded as 0, 1, 2 or 3
2	A sequence letter for the PSN, or 0 if there were no alternative PSNs
3 and 4	Two sequence letters for other information, for the cases where the variant is required because of differences in stowage category, subrisks, packing instruction etc.

Examples:

Unno	Variant	Pg	Name	VarDesc	VarExtra
1169	2000	II	EXTRACTS, AROMATIC, LIQUID	Packing group II.	CAT=B
1169	3000	III	EXTRACTS, AROMATIC, LIQUID	Packing group III.	CAT=A
1170	2A00	II	ETHANOL	Packing group II.	
1170	2C00	II	ETHYL ALCOHOL	Packing group II.	
1170	2B00	II	ETHANOL SOLUTION	Packing group II.	
1170	2D00	II	ETHYL ALCOHOL SOLUTION	Packing group II.	

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2. **Include DTM segment to report ETD at departure port and ETA at arrival port**

Benefit:
To specify ETD + ETA allows to specify the desired voyage more precisely than this can be done by using only with the voyage-no in the TDT segment SG7-8028

Currently this enhancement is only used and populated between HSDG and HL, and it is considered successful.

Change:
To change the DTM segment in SG7-SG8 usage from X (not used) to O (optional).
To allow reporting of ETD (code 133) and ETA (code 132) in qualifier C507.2005

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3. **Replace temporary code for SADT**

The following temporary code will be replaced by an approved code:
SG16 / TMP segment / de6245
Code '6' for SADT (Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature)

See separate DMR.

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Status

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  - The change requests (except new DTM segment) were agreed between the GA lines.
  - The MIG needs to be enhanced with the 3 new changes reported.

- **Next steps**

  After the SMDG meeting, we will prepare the new IFTMBF MIG in version 1.3 including the latest changes, and distribute it to the lines currently using it (HL, NYK, OOCL, Hamburg-Sud).

  After final approval, the MIG will be published on the SMDG website.