

INTERNATIONAL HEALTH REGULATIONS

PART I—DEFINITIONS

Article 1

For the purposes of these Regulations—

“*Aedes aegypti index*” means the ratio, expressed as a percentage, between the number of houses in a limited well-defined area on the premises of which actual breeding places of *Aedes aegypti* are found, and the total number of houses examined in that area;

“*aerosol dispenser*” means a dispenser holding a pressurized formulation which produces an insecticidal aerosol when the valve is opened;

“*aircraft*” means an aircraft making an international voyage;

“*airport*” means an airport designated by the State in whose territory it is situated as an airport of entry or departure for international air traffic;

“*arrival*” of a ship, an aircraft, a train, or a road vehicle means—

- (a) in the case of a seagoing vessel, arrival at a port;
- (b) in the case of an aircraft, arrival at an airport;
- (c) in the case of an inland navigation vessel, arrival either at a port or at a frontier post, as geographical conditions and treaties or arrangements among the States concerned, under Article 98 or under the laws and regulations in force in the territory of entry, may determine;
- (d) in the case of a train or road vehicle, arrival at a frontier post;

“*baggage*” means the personal effects of a traveller or of a member of the crew;

“*container (freight container)*” means an article of transport equipment—

- (a) of a permanent character and accordingly strong enough to be suitable for repeated use;
- (b) specially designed to facilitate the carriage of goods, by one or more modes of transport, without intermediate reloading;
- (c) fitted with devices permitting its ready handling, particularly its transfer from one mode of transport to another;
- (d) so designed as to be easy to fill and empty.

The term “*container (freight container)*” does not include vehicles or conventional packing;

“*crew*” means the personnel of a ship, an aircraft, a train, a road vehicle or other means of transport who are employed for duties on board;

“*day*” means an interval of twenty-four hours;

“*direct transit area*” means a special area established in connexion with an airport, approved by the health authority concerned and under its direct supervision, for accommodating direct transit traffic and, in particular, for