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**INTERDEPARTMENTAL LIAISON GROUP ON RISK ASSESSMENT  
SUMMARY OF ILGRA MEETING PAPERS  
A Paper by the Secretariat.**

**Summary**

1. This paper summarises each of the meeting papers for ILGRA 2 November 2001. Members are encouraged to use this paper as an aid to disseminating information within their Departments. Electronic copies of papers are available from the Secretariat.

**Third ILGRA Report to Ministers (ILGRA/NOV/01/01) (Secretariat)**

2. *Withheld, exemption 10 of the Code of Practice on Access to Government Information, information will soon be published.*

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**Prioritising Risk Issues on the Basis of Societal Concerns (ILGRA/NOV/01/03)**

**(Secretariat)**

3. This paper discusses the factors that HSE believes need to be considered when prioritising risk regulatory activity on the basis of societal concerns, and how such factors might be evaluated. ILGRA members may find the approach useful for prioritising risks entailing societal concerns, in their own area of responsibility.

**Strategies for Promoting Regulatory Compliance (ILGRA/NOV01/04) (Secretariat)**

4. *Withheld, exemption 2 of the Code of Practice on Access to Government Information.*

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**Working with the Media: A Guide to Risk Communication (ILGRA/NOV01/05)**

**(Secretariat)**

5. This paper:

- gives a progress report on research projects examining the social amplification and attenuation of risk;

- describes subsequent work on a guide based on the research for use by Government Departments dealing with risk issues to enable them to make best use of the media as a channel for risk communication; and
- provides a draft of the guide (at Annex A) to enable ILGRA members to see its structure and content.

6. **Any other business and date of next meeting: Thursday 6 June 2002**

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**Report from the Interdepartmental Group on Health Risks from Chemicals (IGHRC) (ILGRA/NOV01/06) (IGHRC Secretariat)**

7. IGHRC was established in October 1999. The Departments, Agencies and Research Councils listed in Annex 1 have provided funding to the MRC's Institute for Environment and Health to enable them to provide resource to carry forward IGHRC's work programme. The paper to ILGRA in November 2000, set out the work of IGHRC during its first year and the programme for the remaining two years. This document was published in December 2000. This paper reports on progress up October 2001.

**Current Developments (ILGRA/NOV/01/07) (Secretariat)**

8. This paper updates members on current developments.

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9. Electronic copies of meeting papers are available from Rob Wellens, ILGRA Secretariat, Health & Safety Executive, 7SW Rose Court, 2 Southwark Bridge, London SE1 9HS, Tel: 020 7717 6489, e-mail: robert.wellens@hse.gsi.gov.uk