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AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE ADOPTION OF UNIFORM TECHNICAL PRESCRIPTIONS FOR WHEELED VEHICLES, EQUIPMENT AND PARTS WHICH CAN BE FITTED AND/OR BE USED ON WHEELED VEHICLES AND THE CONDITIONS FOR RECIPROCAL RECOGNITION OF APPROVALS GRANTED ON THE BASIS OF THESE PRESCRIPTIONS DONE AT GENEVA ON 20 MARCH 1958

AMENDMENTS PROPOSED TO REGULATION NO. 14

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

On 16 June 1998, the Secretary-General received from the Administrative Committee of the above Agreement, pursuant to article 12 (1) of the Agreement, amendments proposed to Regulation No. 14 ("Uniform provisions concerning the approval of vehicles with regard to safety-belt anchorages") annexed to the Agreement.

A copy, in the English and French languages, of the document containing the text of the proposed amendments is transmitted herewith (05 series: doc. TRANS/WP.29/615).

The Secretary-General wishes to draw attention to article 12 (2) and (3) of the Agreement which read as follows:

"2. An amendment to a Regulation will be considered to be adopted unless, within a period of six months from its notification by the Secretary-General, more than one-third of the Contracting Parties applying the Regulation at the time of notification have informed the Secretary-General of their disagreement with the amendment. If, after this period, the Secretary-General has not received declarations of disagreement of more than one-third of the Contracting Parties applying the Regulation, the Secretary-General shall as soon as possible declare the amendment as adopted and binding upon those Contracting Parties applying the Regulation who did not declare themselves opposed to it. When a Regulation is amended and at least one-fifth of the Contracting Parties applying the unamended Regulation subsequently declare that they wish to continue to apply the unamended Regulation, the unamended Regulation will be regarded as an alternative to the amended Regulation and will be incorporated formally as such into the Regulation with effect from the date of adoption of the amendment or its entry into force. In this case the obligations of the Contracting Parties applying the Regulation shall be the same as set out in paragraph 1.

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3. Should a new Contracting Party accede to this Agreement between the time of the notification of the amendment to a Regulation by the Secretary-General and its entry into force, the Regulation in question shall not enter into force for that Contracting Party until two months after it has formally accepted the amendment or two months after the lapse of a period of six months since the communication to that Party by the Secretary-General of the proposed amendment."

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(Safety-belt anchorages)

Note: The text reproduced below was adopted by the Administrative Committee (AC.1) of the amended 1958 Agreement at its eighth session, following the recommendation by the Working Party at its one-hundred-and-fourteenth session. It is based on document TRANS/WP.29/1998/25, as corrected (TRANS/WP.29/609, paras. 61 and 112).

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Paragraph 4.2., amend to read:

".... Its first two digits (at present 05, corresponding to the 05 series of amendments) shall indicate the series"

Paragraph 7., amend to read:

"7. INSPECTION DURING AND AFTER TESTING"

Insert a new paragraph 7.1.1., to read:

"7.1.1. For vehicles of category M1 of a total permissible mass not exceeding 2.5 tonnes, if the upper safety-belt anchorage is attached to the seat structure, the effective upper safety-belt anchorage shall not be displaced during the test forward of a transverse plane passing through the R-point and point C of the seat in question (see figure 1 of annex 3 to this Regulation).

For vehicles other than mentioned above, the effective upper safetybelt anchorage shall not be displaced during the test forward of a transverse plane inclined 10° in forward direction and passing through the R-point of the seat.

The maximum displacement of the effective upper anchorage point shall be measured during the test.

If the displacement of the effective upper anchorage point exceeds the above-mentioned limitation, the manufacturer shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of the technical service that there is no danger to the occupant. As an example, the test procedure according to Regulation No. 94 or a sled test with corresponding pulse may be carried out to demonstrate a sufficient survival space."

Paragraphs 14. to 14.3., replace by the following text:

- "14. TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS
- 14.1. As from the official date of entry into force of the 05 series of amendments, no Contracting Party applying this Regulation shall refuse to grant ECE approvals under this Regulation as amended by the 05 series of amendments.
- 14.2. As from 20 months after the date of entry into force of the 05 series of amendments to this Regulation, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall grant ECE approvals only if the requirements of this Regulation, as amended by the 05 series of amendments, are satisfied.

- 14.3. As from 44 months after the date of entry into force of the 05 series of amendments to this Regulation, Contracting parties applying this Regulation may refuse to recognize approvals which were not granted in accordance with the 05 series of amendments to this Regulation.
- 14.4. For vehicles not affected by paragraph 7.1.1. above, approvals granted according to the 04 series of amendments to this Regulation shall remain valid."

<u>Annex 2</u>, in the examples of the approval marks and in the captions below amend the approval number "042439" to read "052439" (3 times, related to Regulation No. 14). In addition, in the caption below Model A of the approval mark amend the words "04 series of amendments" to read "05 series of amendments". The caption below Model B of the approval mark amend to read as follows (footnote \pm / not modified):

> ".... on the dates on which these approvals were granted Regulation No. 14 included the 05 series of amendments and Regulation No. 24 was in its 03 series of amendments."