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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.
GENEVA, 20 MARCH 1958

REGULATION NO. 70. UNIFORM PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE
APPROVAL OF REAR MARKING PLATES FOR HEAVY AND LONG
VEHICLES

PROPOSAL OF AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION

On 27 February 2001, the Secretary-General received from the Administrative Committee of the above Agreement, pursuant to article 12 (1) of the Agreement, amendments proposed to the above Regulation.

..... A copy, in the English and French languages, of the document containing the text of the proposed amendments is transmitted herewith (doc. TRANS/WP.29/755).

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.

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

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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."

12 March 2001

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DRAFT SUPPLEMENT 3 TO THE 01 SERIES OF AMENDMENTS
TO REGULATION No. 70

(Rear marking plates for heavy and long vehicles)

Note: The text reproduced below was adopted by the Administrative Committee (AC.1) of the amended 1958 Agreement at its sixteenth session, following the recommendation by WP.29 at its one-hundred-and-twenty-second session. It is based on document TRANS/WP.29/2000/49, not amended (TRANS/WP.29/743, para. 159).

Paragraph 7.2., should be deleted.

Paragraphs 13. to 13.3., amend to read:

"13. TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

- 13.1. As from the official date of entry into force of Supplement 3 to the 01 series of amendments, no Contracting Party applying this Regulation shall refuse to grant approvals under this Regulation as amended by Supplement 3 to the 01 series of amendments.
- 13.2. As from 24 months after the date of entry into force of Supplement 3 to the 01 series of amendments, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall grant approvals only if the type of rear marking plates to be approved meets the requirements of this Regulation as amended by Supplement 3 to the 01 series of amendments.
- 13.3. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall not refuse to grant extensions of approval to a preceding version of this Regulation, up to Supplement 2 to the 01 series of amendments."

Insert new paragraphs 13.4. to 13.9., to read:

- "13.4. Approvals granted under this Regulation earlier than 24 months after the date of entry into force of Supplement 3 to the 01 series of amendments and all extensions of approvals, including those to the preceding series of amendments granted subsequently, shall remain valid indefinitely. When the type of rear marking plates approved to a preceding version of the Regulation up to Supplement 2 to the 01 series of amendments meets the requirements of this Regulation as amended by Supplement 3 to the 01 series of amendments, the Contracting Party which granted the approval shall notify the other Contracting Parties applying this Regulation thereof.
- 13.5. No Contracting Party applying this Regulation shall refuse a type of rear marking plates approved under this Regulation as amended by Supplement 3 to the 01 series of amendments.
- 13.6. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall continue to issue approvals of rear marking plates to any preceding version of the Regulation up to Supplement 2 to the 01 series of amendments, provided that the rear marking plates are intended as replacements for fitting to vehicles in use and that it is not technically feasible for the rear marking plates in question to satisfy the requirements of this Regulation as amended by Supplement 3 to the 01 series of amendments.
- 13.7. As from the official date of entry into force of Supplement 3 to the 01 series of amendments, no Contracting Party applying this Regulation shall prohibit the fitting on a vehicle of rear marking plates approved under this Regulation as amended by Supplement 3 to the 01 series of amendments.

- 13.8. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall continue to allow the fitting on a vehicle of rear marking plates approved under preceding version of the Regulation up to Supplement 2 to the 01 series of amendments during the 48 months period which follows the date of entry into force of Supplement 3 to the 01 series of amendments.
- 13.9. Upon the expiration of a period of 48 months after the date of entry into force of Supplement 3 to the 01 series of amendments, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation may prohibit the fitting of rear marking plates which do not meet the requirements of this Regulation as amended by Supplement 3 to the 01 series of amendments on a new vehicle for which national type or individual approval was granted more than 24 months after the entry into force of Supplement 3 to the 01 series of amendments to this Regulation."

Annex 15, paragraph 2.1., amend to read:

"..... of this annex is required for vehicles of categories N₂ with a maximum mass exceeding 7.5 tonnes and N₃, with"
