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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. 49. UNIFORM PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE MEASURES TO BE TAKEN AGAINST THE EMISSION OF GASEOUS AND PARTICULATE POLLUTANTS FROM COMPRESSION-IGNITION ENGINES FOR USE IN VEHICLES, AND THE EMISSION OF GASEOUS POLLUTANTS FROM POSITIVE-IGNITION ENGINES FUELLED WITH NATURAL GAS OR LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS FOR USE IN VEHICLES

PROPOSAL OF AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION NO. 49

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

On 16 July 2012, the Secretary-General received from the Administrative Committee of the above Agreement, pursuant to article 12 (1) of the Agreement, amendments to Regulation No. 49 proposed at the fifty-first session of the Administrative Committee.

The document containing the text of the proposed amendments concerned (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/45) can be accessed on the website of the Transport Division of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe at the following address: http://www.unece.org/trans/main/wp29/wp29wgs/wp29gen/gen2012.html

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..."
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.

27 July 2012