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Subject: Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be taken by the European Union within the relevant Committees of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe regarding the adaptation to technical progress of Regulations Nos 3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 12, 14, 16, 19, 23, 26, 31, 37, 38, 44, 45, 46, 48, 49, 50, 53, 58, 61, 67, 77, 83, 85, 87, 90, 91, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 110, 112, 113, 115, 116, 117, 119, 121, 123 and 125 and regarding the adaptation to technical progress of Global Technical Regulations Nos 4 and 5 of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe  
- Adoption

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1. On 23 October 2012 the Commission submitted to the Council the above proposal.
2. At international level, the UNECE develops harmonised requirements intended to remove technical barriers to the trade in motor vehicles between the Contracting Parties of the Revised 1958 Agreement. The EU is contracting party to this Agreement and to the 1998 Parallel Agreement and votes on behalf of the Member States. The proposed Council Decision defines the Union's position in the voting of the amendments, supplements and corrigenda submitted for vote in the November 2012 UNECE WP29 meeting that takes place on 12-15 November 2012.

3. The Working Party on Technical Harmonisation (Standardisation) examined the proposal on 25 October 2012 and unanimously agreed on the text set out in the Annex.
4. **The Permanent Representatives Committee is invited therefore:**
  - **to confirm the agreement reached by the Working Party,**
  - **to suggest that the Council adopts, in part "A" of its agenda at a forthcoming meeting, the text of the Decision as set out in document 15378/12 following its finalisation by the Council lawyer-linguists.**

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Proposal for a

**COUNCIL DECISION**

**on the position to be taken by the European Union within the relevant Committees of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe regarding the adaptation to technical progress of Regulations Nos 3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 12, 14, 16, 19, 23, 26, 31, 37, 38, 44, 45, 46, 48, 49, 50, 53, 58, 61, 67, 77, 83, 85, 87, 90, 91, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 110, 112, 113, 115, 116, 117, 119, 121, 123 and 125 and regarding the adaptation to technical progress of Global Technical Regulations Nos 4 and 5 of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 114 and Article 218(9) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) By Council Decision 97/836/EC<sup>1</sup> of 27 November 1997 the Union acceded to the Agreement of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (“UNECE”) concerning the adoption of uniform technical prescriptions for wheeled vehicles, equipment and parts which can be fitted to and/or be used on wheeled vehicles and the conditions for reciprocal recognition of approvals granted on the basis of these prescriptions (“Revised 1958 Agreement”);
- (2) By Decision 2000/125/EC<sup>2</sup> of 31 January 2000 the Union acceded to the Agreement concerning the establishing of global technical regulations for wheeled vehicles, equipment and parts which can be fitted and/or be used on wheeled vehicles (Parallel Agreement);

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 346, 17.12.1997, p. 78.

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 35, 10.2.2000, p.12.

- (3) Directive 2007/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 September 2007 establishing a framework for the approval of motor vehicles and their trailers, and of systems, components and separate technical units intended for such vehicles (Framework Directive)<sup>3</sup> replaced the Member States' approval systems with a Union approval procedure, establishing a harmonised framework containing the administrative provisions and general technical requirements for all new vehicles, systems, components and separate technical units. That Directive incorporated UNECE Regulations in the EU vehicle type-approval system, either as requirements for type-approval or as alternatives to Union legislation. Since the adoption of Directive 2007/46/EC, UNECE Regulations have increasingly replaced Union legislation in the framework of EU vehicle type-approval.
- (4) In the light of experience and technical developments, the requirements relating to certain elements or features covered by UNECE Regulations Nos 3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 12, 14, 19, 23, 26, 31, 37, 38, 44, 45, 46, 48, 49, 50, 53, 58, 61, 67, 77, 83, 85, 87, 90, 91, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 110, 112, 113, 115, 116, 117, 119, 121, 123 and 125 and Global Technical Regulation Nos 4 and 5 of the UNECE need to be adapted.
- (5) It is appropriate to establish the position to be adopted on the Union's behalf in the Administrative Committee of the Revised 1958 Agreement and in the Executive Committee of the Parallel Agreement concerning the amendments to be made to the aforementioned UNECE acts.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

The position to be taken by the European Union within the Administrative Committee of the Revised 1958 Agreement and the Executive Committee of the Parallel Agreement on 13 to 16 of November 2012 shall be to vote in favour of the proposed amendments listed in the Annex.

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<sup>3</sup> OJ L 263, 24.02.2011, p.1.

*Article 2*

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its notification.

*Article 3*

This Decision is addressed to the European Commission.

Done at Brussels,

*For the Council  
The President*

## ANNEX

List referred to in Article 1:

Proposal for Supplement 13 to the 02 series of amendments to Regulation No. 3 (Retro-reflecting devices)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/62
Proposal for Supplement 16 to Regulation No. 4 (Illumination of rear registration plates)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/63
Proposal for Supplement 23 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 6 (Direction indicators)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/64
Proposal for Corrigendum 1 to Revision 5 of Regulation No. 6 (Direction indicators)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/110
Proposal for Supplement 21 to the 02 series of amendments to Regulation No. 7 (Position, stop and end-outline lamps)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/65
Proposal for Supplement 2 to the 04 series of amendments to Regulation No. 10 (Electromagnetic compatibility)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/66
Proposal for Supplement 2 to the 04 series of amendments to Regulation No. 12 (Steering mechanism)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/96
Proposal for Supplement 4 to the 07 series of amendments to Regulation No. 14 (Safety-belt anchorages)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/42 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/97
Proposal for Supplement 3 to the 06 series of amendments to Regulation No. 16 (Safety-belts)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/43
Proposal for Supplement 4 to the 04 series of amendments to Regulation No. 19 (Front fog lamps)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/67
Proposal for Supplement 19 to Regulation No. 23 (Reversing lamps)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/68
Proposal for Supplement 2 to the 03 series of amendments to Regulation No. 26 (External projections of passenger cars)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/86
Proposal for Supplement 8 to the 02 series of amendments to Regulation No. 31 (Headlamps (halogen sealed beam (HSB)))	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/69
Proposal for Supplement 40 to the 03 series of amendments to Regulation No. 37 (Filament lamps)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/70

Proposal for Supplement 16 to Regulation No. 38 (Rear fog lamps)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/71
Proposal for Supplement 6 to the 04 series of amendments to Regulation No. 44 (Child restraint systems)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/98
Proposal for Supplement 7 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 45 (Headlamp cleaners)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/72
Proposal for the 04 series of amendments to Regulation No. 46 (Devices for indirect vision)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/87 WP.29-158-08
Proposal for Supplement 10 to the 04 series of amendments to Regulation No. 48 (Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/73 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/73-Corr.1
Proposal for Supplement 3 to the 05 series of amendments to Regulation No. 48 (Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/74
Proposal for Corrigendum 1 to Supplement 7 to the 04 series of amendments to Regulation No. 48 (Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/111
Proposal for Supplement 1 to the 06 series of amendments to Regulation No. 49 (emissions of C.I. and P.I. (NG and LPG) engines)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/103 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/103/Corr.1
Proposal for Supplement 16 to Regulation No. 50 (Position, stop, direction indicator lamps for mopeds and motorcycles)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/75
Proposal for Supplement 14 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 53 (Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices for L3 vehicles)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/76
Proposal for Supplement 3 to the 02 series of amendments to Regulation No. 58 (Rear underrun protection),	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/88
Proposal for Supplement 2 to Regulation No. 61 (External projections of cab's rear panel)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/89

Proposal for Supplement 11 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 67 (LPG vehicles)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/90
Proposal for Supplement 15 to Regulation No. 77 (Parking lamps)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/77
Proposal for Supplement 3 to the 06 series of amendments to Regulation No. 83 (emissions of M1 and N1 vehicles)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/104 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/105
Proposal for Corrigendum 2 to the 06 series of amendments to Regulation No. 83 (emissions of M1 and N1 vehicles)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/127
Proposal for Supplement 6 to Regulation No. 85 (measurement of the net power)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/106
Proposal for Supplement 16 to Regulation No. 87 (Daytime running lamps)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/78
Proposal for Corrigendum 1 to Revision 3 of regulation No. 90 (Replacement braking parts) Alignment of the English and French version of the Russian text	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/117
Proposal for Supplement 14 to Regulation No. 91 (Side marker lamps)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/79
Proposal for Supplement 3 to the 02 series of amendments to Regulation No. 94 (Frontal collision)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/99
Proposal for Corrigendum 1 to Supplement 4 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 94 (Frontal collision protection)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/126
Proposal for Supplement 2 to the 03 series of amendments to Regulation No. 95 (Lateral collision)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/100
Proposal for Supplement 1 to the 03 series of amendments to Regulation No. 96 (diesel emissions (agricultural tractors))	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/107



Proposal for Supplement 7 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 97 (Vehicle alarm systems)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/91
Proposal for Supplement 4 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 98 (Headlamps with gas-discharge light sources)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/80
Proposal for Corrigendum 1 to Revision 3 of Regulation No. 98 (Headlamps with gas-discharge light sources)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/61
Proposal for Supplement 8 to Regulation No. 99 (Gas-discharge light sources)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/81
Proposal for Supplement 2 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 100 (Battery electric vehicle safety)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/101
Proposal for the 02 series of amendments to Regulation No. 100 (Battery electric vehicle safety)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/102 WP.29-158-06
Proposal for Supplement 2 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 101 (CO2 emissions/fuel consumption)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/108
Proposal for the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 110 (CNG equipment),	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/92
Proposal for Supplement 4 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 112 (Headlamps emitting an asymmetrical passing beam)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/82
Proposal for Supplement 2 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 113 (Headlamps emitting a symmetrical passing beam)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/83
Proposal for Supplement 5 to Regulation No. 115 (LPG and CNG retrofit systems)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/109
Proposal for Supplement 4 to Regulation No. 116 (Anti-theft and alarm systems)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/93

Proposal for Supplement 2 to the 02 series of amendments to Regulation No. 117 (Tyres - Rolling resistance, rolling noise and wet grip)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/54 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/55 WP.29-158-09
Proposal for Supplement 2 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 119 (Cornering lamps)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/84
Proposal for the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 121 (Identification of controls, tell-tales and indicators)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/30
Proposal for Supplement 8 to Regulation No. 121 (Identification of controls, tell-tales and indicators)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/94
Proposal for Supplement 4 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 123 (Adaptive front lighting systems (AFS))	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/85
Proposal for the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 125 (Forward field of vision of drivers)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/95
Proposal for Amendment 3 to Special Resolution No. 1 (S.R.1)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/115
Proposal for Amendment to R.E.3 (Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/114

Proposal for Corrigendum 2 to Amendment 1 to global technical regulation No. 4 (Worldwide harmonized Heavy-Duty Certification procedure (WHDC))	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/112
Proposal for Amendment 1 to global technical regulation No. 5 (World-wide harmonized Heavy Duty On-Board Diagnostic systems) (OBD)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/AC.3/30 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/113 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/118