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## LEGISLATIVE ACTS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS

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Subject: COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union in the relevant Committees of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe as regards the proposals for amendments to UN Regulations Nos 12, 14, 16, 17, 43, 44, 46, 48, 49, 110, 121, 129 and 134, to UN Global Technical Regulations Nos 6 and 15, to the Rules of Procedure of WP.29 and to the General Guidelines for UN regulatory procedures and transitional provisions in UN Regulations, and as regards proposals for three new UN Regulations, one new UN Global Technical Regulation and a proposal for a new Mutual Resolution

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**COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2017/ ...**

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**on the position to be adopted  
on behalf of the European Union in the relevant Committees  
of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe  
as regards the proposals for amendments to UN Regulations  
Nos 12, 14, 16, 17, 43, 44, 46, 48, 49, 110, 121, 129 and 134,  
to UN Global Technical Regulations Nos 6 and 15,  
to the Rules of Procedure of WP.29  
and to the General Guidelines for UN regulatory procedures  
and transitional provisions in UN Regulations,  
and as regards proposals for three new UN Regulations,  
one new UN Global Technical Regulation  
and a proposal for a new Mutual Resolution**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

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

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) By Council Decision 97/836/EC<sup>1</sup>, 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 those prescriptions ('Revised 1958 Agreement').
- (2) By Council Decision 2000/125/EC<sup>2</sup>, 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> Council Decision 97/836/EC of 27 November 1997 with a view to accession by the European Community to the Agreement of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe 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') (OJ L 346, 17.12.1997, p. 78).

<sup>2</sup> Council Decision 2000/125/EC of 31 January 2000 concerning the conclusion of 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') (OJ L 35, 10.2.2000, p. 12).

- (3) Directive 2007/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council<sup>1</sup> replaced the approval systems of the Member States with a Union approval procedure and established a harmonised framework containing administrative provisions and general technical requirements for all new vehicles, systems, components and separate technical units. That Directive incorporated regulations adopted under the Revised 1958 Agreement ('UN Regulations') in the EU type-approval system, either as requirements for type-approval or as alternatives to Union legislation. Since the adoption of Directive 2007/46/EC, UN regulations have been increasingly incorporated into Union legislation.
- (4) In the light of experience and technical developments, the requirements relating to certain elements or features covered by UN Regulations Nos 12, 14, 16, 17, 43, 44, 46, 48, 49, 110, 121, 129 and 134, as well as by UN Global Technical Regulations Nos 6 and 15, need to be adapted.
- (5) In order to lay down uniform provisions concerning the International Whole Vehicle Type Approval, Accident Emergency Call Systems and anchorage systems of child seats, the proposal for new UN Regulations on those subjects need to be adopted.
- (6) In order to lay down uniform provisions concerning the safety of electric vehicles, the proposal for a UN Global Technical Regulation (GTR) needs to be adopted.

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<sup>1</sup> 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) (OJ L 263, 9.10.2007, p. 1).

- (7) In order to lay down the provisions and a harmonised test procedure for the measurement of interior emissions of vehicles, thereby taking into account existing standards, the proposal for a new Mutual Resolution (M.R.3) on vehicle interior air quality (VIAQ) under the Revised 1958 Agreement and the Parallel Agreement needs to be adopted.
- (8) In order to clarify the regulatory procedures following Revision 3 of the Revised 1958 Agreement, approved on behalf of the Union by Council Decision (EU) 2016/1790<sup>1</sup>, to streamline the future work in the subsidiary bodies of the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29), to avoid divergences in understanding and to ensure good regulatory practice, the General Guidelines for UN regulatory procedures and transitional provisions in UN Regulations need to be replaced.

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<sup>1</sup> Council Decision (EU) 2016/1790 of 12 February 2016 on the conclusion of Revision 3 of the Agreement of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe concerning the adoption of uniform technical prescriptions for wheeled vehicles, equipment and parts which can be fitted and/or used on wheeled vehicles and the conditions for the reciprocal recognition of approvals granted on the basis of these prescriptions ('Revised 1958 Agreement') (O.J. L 274, 11.10.2016, p. 2).

- (9) In order to enable non-governmental organizations without consultative status within the United Nations Economic and Social Council to participate in WP.29 meetings in a consultative capacity, the Rules of Procedure of WP.29 need to be revised.
- (10) It is appropriate to establish the position to be adopted on behalf of the Union in the Administrative Committee of the Revised 1958 Agreement and in the Executive Committee of the Parallel Agreement as regards the adoption of those proposals,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

The position to be taken on behalf of the Union within the Administrative Committee of the Revised 1958 Agreement and the Executive Committee of the Parallel Agreement during the period from 13 to 17 November 2017 shall be to vote in favour of the proposals listed in the Annex to this Decision.

*Article 2*

This Decision is addressed to the Commission.

Done at ...,

*For the Council*  
*The President*

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## ANNEX

Note: All documents referenced in the table below are publicly available at:

<http://www.unece.org/trans/main/wp29/wp29wgs/wp29gen/gen2017.html>

Reg #	Item title	Document reference
12	Proposal for Supplement 5 to the 04 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 12 (Steering mechanism)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/118
14	Proposal for 08 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 14 (Safety-belt anchorages)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/119
14	Proposal for 08 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 14 (Safety-belt anchorages)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/128
16	Proposal for Supplement 10 to the 06 series of amendments and Supplement 2 to the 07 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 16 (Safety-belts)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/120
17	Proposal for Corrigendum 1 to the Revision 5 to UN Regulation No. 17 (Strength of seats)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/121
17	Proposal for Supplement 4 to the 08 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 17 (Strength of seats)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/122



Reg #	Item title	Document reference
43	Proposal for Supplement 6 to the 01 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 43 (Safety glazing)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/111
43	Proposal for Corrigendum 6 to Revision 3 of UN Regulation No. 43 (Safety glazing)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/112
43	Proposal for Corrigendum 1 to Revision 4 of Regulation No. 43 (Safety glazing)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/117
44	Proposal for Supplement 13 to the 04 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 44 (Child Restraint Systems)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/123
46	Proposal for Supplement 5 to the 04 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 46 (Devices for indirect vision)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/113
48	Proposal for Supplement 10 to the 06 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 48 (Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/110
49	Proposal for Supplement 9 to the 05 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 49 (Compression ignition and positive ignition (LPG and CNG) engines))	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/129
49	Proposal for Supplement 5 to the 06 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 49 (Compression ignition and positive ignition (LPG and CNG) engines))	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/130

Reg #	Item title	Document reference
110	Proposal for Supplement 7 to the 01 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 110 (CNG and LNG vehicles)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/114
110	Proposal for Supplement 1 to the 02 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 110 (CNG and LNG vehicles)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/115
121	Proposal for Supplement 2 to the 01 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 121 (Identification of controls, tell-tales and indicators)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/116
129	Proposal for Supplement 6 to UN Regulation No. 129 (Enhanced Child Restraint Systems)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/124
129	Proposal for Supplement 3 to the 01 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 129 (Enhanced Child Restraint Systems)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/125
129	Proposal for Supplement 2 to the 02 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 129 (Enhanced Child Restraint Systems)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/126
134	Proposal for Supplement 3 to UN Regulation No. 134 (Hydrogen and Fuel Cells Vehicles (HFCV))	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/127
New UN Reg 0	Proposal for a new UN Regulation No. 0 on the International Whole Vehicle Type Approval	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/108
New UN Reg	Proposal for new UN Regulation No. XXX on Accident Emergency Call Systems (AECS)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/132
New UN Reg	Proposal for a new UN Regulation No. XXX on ISOFIX anchorage systems, ISOFIX top tether anchorages and i-Size seating positions	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/133

GTR #	Agenda item title	Document reference
UN GTR (new)	Proposal for a new UN GTR on Electric Vehicle Safety (EVS)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/138
UN GTR 15	Proposal for Amendment 3 to UN GTR No. 15 (Worldwide harmonized Light vehicles Test Procedures (WLTP))	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/140
UN GTR 6	Proposal for Corrigendum 2 to UN GTR No. 6 (Safety glazing)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/142

Item	Agenda item title	Document reference
UN M.R.3	Proposal for a new Mutual Resolution (M.R.3) of the 1958 and the 1998 Agreements concerning Vehicle Interior Air Quality (VIAQ)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/136
UN General Guidelines	Draft General Guidelines for United Nations regulatory procedures and transitional provisions in UN Regulations	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/107 & /107/Corr.1 & /107/Add.1
WP.29 rules of procedure	Proposal for amendments to the rules of procedure of WP.29	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/137