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Subject: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION establishing the position to be adopted on the Union's behalf in the relevant Committees of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe as regards the proposals for amendments to UN Regulations Nos 7, 13, 23, 37, 38, 41, 43, 45, 51, 55, 59, 75, 78, 98, 99, 106, 107, 110, 112, 113, 117, 119, 123, 128, 129, on Amendment 2 to UN GTR No. 3 with regard to motorcycle braking, on Amendment 3 to UN GTR No. 4 with regard to the Worldwide Heavy-Duty Certification procedure  
*- Adoption*

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1. On 13 February 2015 the Commission submitted to the Council the above proposal.
2. The Working Party on Technical Harmonisation (Motor Vehicles) examined this proposal on 4 February 2015 on the basis of advance copies. Some amendments to the text of the Decision and to its Annex were deemed necessary. All delegations agreed to this proposal subject to these amendments which are indicated by bold and underlined in the Annex to the present Note.

4. **The Permanent Representatives Committee is invited therefore :**
- **to confirm the agreement reached by the Working Party,**
  - **to suggest to the Council to adopt, in part "A" of its agenda at a forthcoming meeting, the text of this Decision as set out in document 6289/15 following its finalisation by the lawyer-linguists.**
5. In accordance with Article 218(10) TFEU, the General Secretariat of the Council will inform the European Parliament of the adoption of this Decision.
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Proposal for a

## COUNCIL DECISION

**establishing the position to be adopted on the Union's behalf in the relevant Committees of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe as regards the proposals for amendments to UN Regulations Nos. 3, 7, 13, 19, 23, 37, 38, 41, 43, 45, 48, 50, 51, 53, 55, 59, 75, 78, 86, 98, 99, 106, 107, 110, 112, 113, 117, 119, 123, 128, 129, on Amendment 2 to UN GTR No. 3 with regard to motorcycle braking, on Amendment 3 to UN GTR No. 4 with regard to the Worldwide Heavy-Duty Certification procedure**

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) In accordance with 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 these prescriptions ('Revised 1958 Agreement').
- (2) In accordance with 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>3</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 UN regulations in the EU type-approval system, either as requirements for type-approval or as alternatives to Union legislation. Since the adoption of that Directive, UN regulations have increasingly replaced Union legislation in the framework of the EU type-approval.
- (4) In the light of experience and technical developments, the requirements relating to certain elements or features covered by UN Regulations Nos. 3, 7, 13, 19, 23, 37, 38, 41, 43, 45, 48, 50, 51, 53, 55, 59, 75, 78, 86, 98, 99, 106, 107, 110, 112, 113, 117, 119, 123, 128, 129, by UN GTR No. 3 with regard to motorcycle braking, and by UN GTR No. 4 with regard to the Worldwide Heavy-Duty Certification procedure, need to be adapted.
- (5) It is therefore necessary 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, as regards the adoption of those UN acts,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

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 on 10 to 13 March 2015 shall be to vote in favour of the UN acts listed in the Annex to this Decision.

*Article 2*

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

Done at Brussels,

*For the Council  
The President*

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<sup>3</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).

**ANNEX**

<b><u>Proposal for Supplement 16 to the 02 series of amendments to Regulation No. 3 (Retro-reflecting devices).</u></b>	<b><u>ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/14</u></b>
Proposal for Supplement 24 to the 02 series of amendments to Regulation No. 7 (Position, stop and end-outline lamps).	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/15
Proposal for Supplement 13 to the 11 series of amendments to Regulation No. 13 (Heavy vehicle braking)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/6
<b><u>Proposal for Supplement 8 to the 04 series of amendments to Regulation No. 19 (Front fog lamps)</u></b>	<b><u>ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/16</u></b>
Proposal for Supplement 20 to Regulation No. 23 (Reversing lamps)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/17
Proposal for Supplement 44 to the 03 series of amendments to Regulation No. 37 (Filament lamps)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/18
Proposal for Supplement 17 to Regulation No. 38 (Rear fog lamps)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/19
Proposal for Supplement 2 to the 04 series of amendments to Regulation No. 41 (Noise emissions of motorcycles)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/2
Proposal for Supplement 4 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 43 (Safety glazings).	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/11
Corrigendum 5 to Revision 3 of Regulation No. 43 (Safety glazings)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/34
Proposal for Supplement 9 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 45 (Headlamp cleaners)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/20
<b><u>Proposal for Supplement 6 to the 06 series of amendments to Regulation No. 48 (Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices)</u></b>	<b><u>ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/21</u></b> <b><u>ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/21/Corr.1</u></b>
<b><u>Proposal for Supplement 8 to the 05 series of amendments to Regulation No. 48 (Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices)</u></b>	<b><u>ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/22</u></b> <b><u>ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/22/Corr.1</u></b>
<b><u>Proposal for Supplement 15 to the 04 series of amendments to Regulation No. 48 (Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices)</u></b>	<b><u>ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/23</u></b> <b><u>ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/23/Corr.1</u></b>
<b><u>Proposal for Supplement 17 to Regulation No. 50 (Position, stop, direction indicator lamps for mopeds and motorcycles)</u></b>	<b><u>ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/24</u></b>
Proposal for the 03 series of amendments to Regulation No. 51 (Noise of M and N categories of vehicles)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/3
<b><u>Proposal for supplement 15 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 53 (Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices for L3 vehicles)</u></b>	<b><u>ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/25</u></b> <b><u>ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/25/Corr.1</u></b> <b><u>ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/25/Corr.2</u></b>

Proposal for Supplement 4 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 55 (Mechanical couplings)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/7
Proposal for the 02 series of amendments to Regulation No. 59 (Replacement silencing systems)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/4
Proposal for Supplement 15 to Regulation No. 75 (Tyres for motorcycles/mopeds)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/8
Proposal for Supplement 2 to the 03 series of amendments to Regulation No. 78 (Braking of category L vehicles)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/9
<b><u>Proposal for Supplement 6 to Regulation No. 86 (Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices for agricultural tractors)</u></b>	<b><u>ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/26</u></b>
Proposal for Supplement 6 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 98 (Headlamps with gas-discharge light sources)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/27
Proposal for Supplement 10 to Regulation No. 99 (Gas discharge light sources)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/28
Proposal for Supplement 12 <b><u>of amendments</u></b> to Regulation No. 106 (Tyres for agricultural vehicles)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/10
<b><u>Proposal for Supplement 2 to the 06 series of amendments to Regulation No. 107 (M2 and M3 vehicles).</u></b>	<b><u>ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2014/77</u></b>
Proposal for Supplement 3 to the 05 series of amendments to Regulation No. 107 (M2 and M3 vehicles).	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/12
Proposal for Supplement 3 to the 06 series of amendments to Regulation No. 107 (M2 and M3 vehicles).	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/44
Proposal for Supplement 3 to the 01 series of amendments to the Regulation No. 110 (CNG/LNG vehicles).	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/13
Proposal for Supplement 6 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 112 (Headlamps emitting an asymmetrical passing-beam)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/29
Proposal for Supplement 5 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 113 (Headlamps emitting a symmetrical passing-beam)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/30
Proposal for Supplement 7 to the 02 series of amendments to Regulation No. 117 (Tyres, rolling resistance, rolling noise and wet grip)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/5
Proposal for Supplement 4 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 119 (Cornering lamps)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/31
Proposal for Supplement 7 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 123 (Adaptive Front lighting Systems (AFS))	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/32
Proposal for Supplement 4 to Regulation No. 128 (LED light sources)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/33 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/33/Corr.1

Proposal for Supplement 4 to Regulation No. 129 (Enhanced <u>C</u> hild <u>R</u> estraint <u>S</u> ystem)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/43
Amendment 2 to <u>global technical Regulation</u> No. 3 (Motorcycle braking)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/38 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/39 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/AC.3/37
Amendment 3 to <u>global technical Regulation</u> No. 4 (Worldwide Heavy-Duty Certification procedure (WHDC))	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2014/84 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2014/85 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/AC.3/29 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/AC.3/38

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