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| From: | General Secretariat of the Council | |
| To: | Permanent Representatives Committee/Council | |
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| Subject: | Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION establishing 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, 16, 26, 39, 44, 46, 58, 61, 74, 83, 85, 94, 95, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 106, 107, 110, 116 and 127, the proposal for a new UN Regulation on frontal impact, the proposals for amendments to the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles (R.E.3), and the proposal for a new Mutual Resolution No. 2 (M.R.2) on vehicle powertrain definitions - Adoption | |

- 1. On 22 October 2015 the Commission submitted to the Council the above proposal.
- 2. The Working Party on Technical Harmonisation (Motor Vehicles) had already examined this proposal on 20 October 2015 on the basis of advance copies. All delegations agreed to this proposal.

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- 3. The <u>Permanent Representatives Committee</u> 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 13351/15 following its finalisation by the lawyer-linguists.
- 4. 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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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/EC¹, 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/EC², 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').
- (3) Directive 2007/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council³ replaced the approval systems of the Member States with a Union approval procedure and established a

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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).

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).

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 been incorporated into 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 12, 16, 26, 39, 44, 46, 58, 61, 74, 83, 85, 94, 95, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 106, 107, 110, 116 and 127, as well as Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles (R.E.3) need to be adapted for technical progress.
- (5) In order to improve the relevant safety provisions for motor vehicles, a new UN Regulation on frontal impact should be adopted; in order to harmonise vehicle powertrain definitions, a new Mutual Resolution No. 2 (M.R.2) on vehicle powertrain definitions should also be adopted.
- (6) It is therefore necessary 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 UN acts,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

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 during the period from 9 to 13 November 2015 shall be to vote in favour of the proposals 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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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) (OJ L 263, 9.10.2007, p. 1).

ANNEX

| Proposal for Supplement 4 to the 04 series of amendments to Regulation No. 12 (Steering mechanism) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/92 |
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| Proposal for Supplement 6 to the 06 series of amendments to Regulation No. 16 (Safety-belts) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/93 |
| Proposal for Supplement 3 to the 03 series of amendments to Regulation No. 26 (External projections) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/82 |
| Proposal for the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 39 (Speedometer and odometer) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/83 |
| Proposal for Supplement 10 to the 04 series of amendments to Regulation No. 44 (Child restraint systems) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/94 |
| Proposal for Supplement 2 to the 04 series of amendments to Regulation No. 46 (Devices for indirect vision) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/84 |
| Proposal for the 03 series of amendments to Regulation No. 58 (Rear underrun protection) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/85 |
| Proposal for Supplement 3 to Regulation No. 61 (External projections of commercial vehicles) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/86 |
| Proposal for Corrigendum 1 to Supplement 8 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 74 (Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices (mopeds)) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/79 |
| Proposal for Supplement 11 to the 05 series of amendments to Regulation No. 83 (Emissions of M1 and N1 vehicles) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/100 |
| Proposal for Supplement 6 to the 06 series of amendments to Regulation No. 83 (Emissions of M1 and N1 vehicles); | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/101 |
| Proposal for Supplement 7 to the original version of Regulation No. 85 (Measurement of the net power) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/102 |
| Proposal for Supplement 6 to the 02 series of amendments to Regulation No. 94 (Frontal collision) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/95 |
| Proposal for 03 series of amendments to Regulation No. 94 (Frontal collision) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/96 |
| Proposal for Supplement 5 to the 03 series of amendments to Regulation No. 95 (Lateral collision) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/97 |
| Proposal for Supplement 8 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 97 (Vehicle alarm systems) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/87 |
| Proposal for Supplement 7 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 98 (Headlamps with gas-discharge light sources) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/80 |
| Proposal for Supplement 11 to Regulation No. 99 (Gas discharge light sources) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/81 |
| Proposal for Supplement 3 to the 02 series of amendments to Regulation No. 100 (Electric power trained vehicles) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/98 |
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| Proposal for Supplement 6 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 101 (CO2 emissions/fuel consumption) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/103 |
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| Proposal for Supplement 13 to Regulation No. 106 (Tyres for agricultural vehicles) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/109 |
| Proposal for Supplement 4 to the 06 series of amendments to Regulation No. 107 (General construction of buses and coaches) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/88 |
| Proposal for Supplement 4 to the 05 series of amendments to Regulation No. 107 (General construction of buses and coaches) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/104 |
| Proposal for Supplement 4 to the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 110 (Specific components for CNG/LNG) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/89 |
| Proposal for Supplement 5 to Regulation No. 116 (Vehicle alarm systems) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/91 |
| Proposal for 02 series of amendments to Regulation No. 127 (Pedestrian safety) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/99 |
| Proposal for a new Regulation on frontal impact with focus on restraint systems | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/105 |
| Proposal for 01 series of amendments to the new Regulation on frontal impact with focus on restraint systems | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/106 |
| Proposal for amendments to the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles (R.E.3) | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/111 |
| Proposal for a new Mutual Resolution No. 2 (M.R.2) on vehicle powertrain definitions | ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2015/110 |