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Delegations will find attached document ANNEX to the COM(2021) 26 final.

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The AETR is amended as follows:

- (1) in Article 1, the following point(x) is added :
 - (x) “Regional integration organisation” means any organisation which is constituted by sovereign States of a given region, which has competence in respect of certain matters governed by this Agreement and has been duly authorized to sign and to ratify, accept, approve or accede to this Agreement.
- (2) in Article 10, the following paragraph 4 is added:

‘4 From the date of entry into force of Appendix 1C of the Annex to this Agreement, vehicles with a control device conforming to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/799¹ and its amending acts or to Appendix 1C of the Annex to this Agreement as regards construction, installation, use and testing shall be considered as conforming to the requirements of this Agreement’.
- (3) in Article 13(2), the following point (c) is added:

‘(c) Appendix 1C shall become mandatory for countries which are Contracting Parties to this Agreement no later than 31 December 2025. As a consequence, all vehicles covered by this Agreement, put into service for the first time from 1st January 2026, shall be equipped with a digital control device conforming to those new requirements. From the date of entry into force of the relevant amendments to this Agreement, Contracting Parties, which have not yet implemented these amendments in their countries, shall accept and control on their territory vehicles registered in another Contracting Party to this Agreement, which are already equipped with such a digital control device.

From 1st January 2028 all vehicles used in international transport shall be fitted with a digital control device conforming to Appendix 1C.

The Contracting Parties shall take the necessary steps to be able to issue the driver cards referred to in Appendix 1C no later than 1st October 2025.’;
- (4) Article 14 is amended as follows:
 - (a) the following paragraph 1a is inserted:

‘1a. This Agreement shall also be open for signature by regional integration organisations.

For the purposes of amending Appendices 1, 1B, 1C, 2 and 3, the representative of a regional integration organisation Contracting Party to the Agreement delivers the votes of its constituent Member States without their presence being necessary in the vote.’;
 - (b) paragraph 5 is replaced by the following:

‘5. In respect of each State or regional integration organisation which ratifies, or accedes to, this Agreement after the deposit of the eighth instrument of ratification or accession as referred to in paragraph 4 of this article, the

¹ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/799 of 18 March 2016 implementing Regulation (EU) No 165/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the requirements for the construction, testing, installation, operation and repair of tachographs and their components (OJ L 139, 26.5.2016, p. 1).

Agreement shall enter into force one hundred and eighty days after the deposit by that State or regional integration organisation of its instrument of ratification or accession.’;

(5) Article 22 is amended as follows:

(a) paragraphs 1 and 2 are replaced by the following:

‘1. Appendices 1, 1C and 2 of the Annex to this Agreement may be amended by the procedure specified in this article.

2. At the request of a Contracting Party, any amendments proposed to Appendices 1, 1C or 2 of the Annex to this Agreement shall be considered by the Principal Working Party on Road Transport of the Economic Commission for Europe.’;

(b) the following paragraph 6 is added:

‘6. If a proposal for the amendment of Appendix 1C of the Annex to this Agreement requires the amendment of other provisions of the Agreement, the amendments to Appendix 1C cannot enter into force before the date of entry into force of the amendments to those other provisions pursuant to Article 21. If, in such a case, the amendments to Appendix 1C are presented simultaneously with the amendments to other provisions of the Agreement, the date of their entry into force shall be the date resulting from the application of the procedure outlined in Article 21.’;

(6) a new Appendix 1C is inserted, based on the technical specifications to be adopted by the Commission under Regulation (EU) 2020/1054² of the European Parliament and of the Council, as adapted to the AETR context;

(7) in Appendix 2, Chapter III ‘Approval certificate for products in accordance with Appendix 1B’ is replaced by the following:

‘III. Approval certificate for products in accordance with Appendix 1B/1C (1)

Once the Contracting Party has effected an approval it issues the applicant with an approval certificate, drawn up in accordance with the model below. Contracting Parties use copies of this document in order to communicate to other Contracting Parties approvals granted or any withdrawals.

Approval certificate for products in accordance with Appendix 1B/1C (1)

Name of the competent administration

Communication concerning (2):

Approval

Withdrawal of an approval

Of a control device model

Of a control device component (3)

Of a driver card

Of a workshop card

² Regulation (EU) 2020/1054 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 July 2020 amending Regulation (EC) No 561/2006 as regards minimum requirements on maximum daily and weekly driving times, minimum breaks and daily and weekly rest periods and Regulation (EU) No 165/2014 as regards positioning by means of tachographs (OJ L 249, 31.7.2020, p. 1).

Of a company card

Of an inspector's card

Approval No.....

- (1) Manufacturing or commercial mark
 - (2) Name of model
 - (3) Name of manufacturer
 - (4) Address of manufacturer
 - (5) Submitted for approval on.....
 - (6) Test laboratory or laboratories
 - (7) Date and No. of reports.....
 - (8) Date of approval
 - (9) Date of withdrawal of approval
 - (10) Model (s) of component(s) of control device with which the component is intended to be used.....
 - (11) Place .
 - (12) Date.....
 - (13) Descriptive documents annexed.....
 - (14) Remarks (including the affixing of seals if required).....
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(Signature)

- (1) Specify Appendix 1B or 1C
- (2) Tick the relevant boxes
- (3) Specify the component concerned in the communication