PROPOSAL FOR DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION No. 65
(Special warning lamps)

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Note: The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from France in view of the consideration of the proposal to improve the visibility of vehicles using the special warning lamps (TRANS/WP.29/GRE/1999/10/Rev.1). The transitional provisions are proposed in order to allow the introduction of higher illumination values suggested in a document which had been distributed without a symbol (informal document No. 12) during the forty-fifth session of GRE (TRANS/WP.29/GRE/45, paras. 50-52).

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A. PROPOSAL

Insert new paragraphs 13. to 13.8., to read:

"13. TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

13.1. As from the official date of entry into force of [Supplement 3] *//, no Contracting Party applying this Regulation shall refuse to grant approvals under this Regulation as amended by [Supplement 3] */.

13.2. As from 24 months after the date of entry into force of [Supplement 3] */, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall grant approvals only if the type of special warning lamps to be approved meets the requirements of this Regulation as amended by [Supplement 3] */.

13.3. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall not refuse to grant extensions of approval to a preceding version of this Regulation, up to Supplement 2.

13.4. Approvals granted under this Regulation earlier than 24 months after the date of entry into force of [Supplement 3] */ and all extensions of approvals, granted subsequently, shall remain valid indefinitely. When the type of special warning lamps approved to a preceding version of the Regulation up to its Supplement 2 meets the requirements of this Regulation as amended by [Supplement 3] */., the Contracting Party which granted the approval shall notify the other Contracting Parties applying this Regulation thereof.

13.5. No Contracting Party applying this Regulation shall refuse a type of special warning lamps approved under this Regulation as amended by [Supplement 3] */.

13.6. As from the official date of entry into force of [Supplement 3] */., no Contracting Party applying this Regulation shall prohibit the fitting on a vehicle of special warning lamps approved under this Regulation as amended by [Supplement 3] */.

13.7. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall continue to allow the fitting on a vehicle of special warning lamps approved under the preceding version of the Regulation up to its Supplement 2 during the 48 months period which follows the date of entry into force of [Supplement 3] */."
13.8. Upon the expiration of a period of 48 months after the date of entry into force of 
[Supplement 3] */, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation may prohibit the fitting of special warning lamps, which 
do not meet the requirements of this Regulation as amended by 
[Supplement 3] */, on a new vehicle for which national type or 
individual approval was granted more than 24 months after the entry into force of [Supplement 3] */ to this Regulation."

Paragraph 13 (former), renumber as paragraph 14.

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B. JUSTIFICATION

With respect to higher illumination values the proposal should more appropriately be introduced as 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 65.

In such case the following additional amendments would be necessary:

Paragraph 4.2., amend to read:

"4.2. An approval number shall be assigned to each type approved. Its first two digits (at present 01 corresponding to the 01 series of amendments) shall indicate the series ...."

Annex 2, in the examples of the approval marks and in the captions below amend the approval numbers "002439", "002440" and "002441" to read "012439", "012440" and "012441" and the words "Regulation in its original form" amend to read "Regulation incorporating the 01 series of amendments".

*/*   proposed:  [01 series of amendments]