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ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE FIFTY-EIGHTH SESSION^{1, 2}

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva
starting at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, 22 September 2009

I. PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Adoption of the report of the fifty-seventh session.
3. Information on activities of interest to the Working Party:
 - (a) Secretariat;

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- (b) International organizations;
 - (c) National delegations.
4. Future role of the Working Party.
 5. Consistency between the Convention on Road Traffic, 1968, and the vehicle technical regulations.
 6. Round Table « Are we victims of development success? ».
 7. Consideration of amendments to the Convention on Road Signs and Signals, 1968.
 8. Work Programme 2010-2014.
 9. Other business.
 10. Date of next session.
 11. Adoption of decisions.

II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Item 1 Adoption of the agenda

Document: ECE/TRANS/WP.1/124

1. According to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, the first item to be adopted by the Working Party is its agenda.

Item 2 Adoption of the report of the fifty-seventh session

Document: ECE/TRANS/WP.1/122

2. The Working Party will be invited to adopt the report on its fifty-seventh session.

Item 3 Information on activities of interest to the Working Party

3. The Working Party will be informed by the secretariat and the participants of road safety-related developments that took place at national, regional and global level since its previous session.

Item 4 Future role of the Working Party

Document: ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2008/5/Rev.2, ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2009/3

4. The Working Party is expected to finalize its debate on how should it best reshape its activities so as to adapt to the fast changing situation in road safety and better contribute to

improving road safety. It is expected that the Working Party approves its future actions in the short, medium and long term as presented in document ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2008/5/Rev.2.

Item 5 Consistency between the Convention on Road Traffic, 1968, and the vehicle technical regulations

Document: ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2009/2

5. At the fifty-sixth and fifty-seventh sessions of WP.1, participants exchanged views on ways to ensure the correspondence between the Convention on Road Traffic, 1968, and the European Agreement supplementing it, on one hand, and the technical regulations adopted by WP.29, on the other hand. The discrepancies between some of the provisions of the Convention and the technical regulations were already creating obstacles to international road traffic, jeopardizing its long standing benefits. WP.1 is expected to consider document ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2009/2 which is mainly based on the results of work of the International Motorcycle Manufacturers Association (IMMA).

Item 6 Round Table « Are we victims of development success? »

6. As mandated by the fifty-seventh session of WP.1, the secretariat will organize on 23 September 2008 a round table entitled «Are we victims of development success?» during which experts will be invited to examine and possibly explain why road crashes keep increasing although vehicles and infrastructure are safer, training is better, trauma care is timelier and more professional. It is expected that national stakeholders, in particular the heads of national road safety councils (or similar structures), actively participate in the event.

Item 7 Consideration of amendment to the Convention on Road Signs and Signals, 1968

Document: ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2009/4

7. The Working Party might wish to consider ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2009/4 containing proposals of amendment to the Convention on Road Signs and Signals, 1968 submitted by Spain, Norway, the International Association for Natural Gas Vehicles and the European Liquefied Petroleum Gas Association.

Item 8 Work programme 2010-2014

Document: ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2009/5

8. The Working Party might wish to consider its draft work programme 2010-2014 as presented in ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2009/5. Once adopted, the work programme will be submitted for approval of the Inland Transport Committee at its seventy-second session in 2010.

Item 9 Other business

9. The Working Party will be informed about the outcomes of the following two events:

- (a) Seminar on “Improving global road safety: setting regional and national road traffic casualty reduction targets”, held in Minsk, Republic of Belarus (12-14 May 2009);

- (b) Conference on “Improving road traffic safety in South-Eastern Europe: setting regional and national road traffic casualty reduction targets”, held in Halkida, Greece (25 - 26 June 2009).

10. WP.1 may wish to be updated by the secretariat and the Russian Federation on the progress regarding the preparations of the Global Ministerial Conference on Road Safety to be held in Moscow on 19-20 November 2009.

11. The Working Party may wish to discuss any other business under this agenda item.

Item 10 Date of next session

12. The fifty-ninth session of the Working Party is scheduled to take place in Geneva from 22 to 24 March 2010. Participants wishing to submit proposals for that session are invited to do so by 23 December 2009 at the latest, in order to allow the secretariat to process the documents according to the internal procedure.

Item 11 Adoption of decisions

13. The Working Party will adopt a list of decisions taken at its fifty-eighth session based on a draft to be prepared by the secretariat.
