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DEFINITION OF NON-ROAD MOBILE MACHINERY

Proposal for draft amendments to the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles

Submitted by the secretariat */

The text reproduced below was prepared by the secretariat in order to introduce in the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles (R.E.3) a definition on mobile machinery in accordance with the decision of the Working Party on General Safety Provisions at its ninety-fifth session (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRSG/75, para. 37). Modifications to the existing text of the Resolution are marked in bold characters.

*// In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2006-2010 (ECE/TRANS/166/Add.1, programme activity 02.4), the World Forum will develop, harmonize and update Regulations in order to enhance performance of vehicles. The present document is submitted in conformity with that mandate.
A. PROPOSAL

Annex 7, insert a new paragraph 9, to read:

"9. MOBILE MACHINERY

Vehicle which is specifically designed and constructed to perform work and which, because of its construction characteristics, is not suitable for transporting goods or carrying passengers other than any operators/crew. Vehicles in categories L, M, N, O and T equipped with machinery shall not be considered as mobile machinery, unless so requested by the manufacturer."

B. JUSTIFICATION

At its ninety-fifth session, the Working Party on General Safety Provisions (GRSG) agreed to resume discussion on a definition of "non-road mobile machinery". This kind of vehicle is covered by the scope of Regulations Nos. 96 (Diesel emission - Agricultural tractors) and 120 (Power of agricultural tractors), but is not defined. GRSG asked the secretariat to prepare a proposal to introduce in the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles (R.E.3) the definition of mobile machinery as proposed during the consideration of the draft Horizontal Regulation (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2008/46).

It has to be mentioned that the definition discussed during the consideration of the draft Horizontal Regulation referred only to mobile machinery and not to "non-road" mobile machinery.