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**Regulation No. 16 (Safety-belts)****Proposal for Corrigendum 2 to the 06 series of amendments  
to Regulation No. 16****Submitted by the secretariat\***

The text reproduced below was prepared by the secretariat as an outcome of the November 2009 session of the World Forum (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/1079, para. 48) in order to have a further revision of the provisions regarding the installation of safety-belts on M<sub>2</sub> and M<sub>3</sub> vehicles belonging to Class II, as proposed by the representative of the Russian Federation. It is based on a document without symbol (GRSP-46-06), distributed during the forty-sixth session of the Working Party on Passive Safety (GRSP). The modifications to the current text of Regulation No. 16 are marked as strikethrough characters.

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\* 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 the performance of vehicles. The present document is submitted in conformity with that mandate.

## I. Proposal

Paragraph 8.1.1., amend to read:

“8.1.1. With the exception of seating intended solely for use when the vehicle is stationary, the seats of vehicles of categories M<sub>1</sub>, M<sub>2</sub> (of Class III or B 9/), M<sub>3</sub> (of Class III or B 9/) and N shall be equipped with safety-belts or restraint systems which satisfy the requirements of this Regulation.

Contracting Parties applying this Regulation may demand the installation of safety belts on M<sub>2</sub> and M<sub>3</sub> vehicles belonging to Class II. ~~Any Contracting Party doing so shall notify the Secretary General of the United Nations of its intention. Such notification or modification thereto shall have effect in accordance with the time scales laid down in Article 1, paragraphs 6. and 7. of the 1958 Agreement (E/ECE/324 – E/ECE/TRANS/505/Rev.2).~~

When fitted, the safety belts and/or restraint systems in Class I, II or A vehicles belonging to category M<sub>2</sub> or M<sub>3</sub> have to be in compliance with the requirements of this Regulation.

Contracting Parties may, under national law, allow the installation of safety belts or restraint systems other than those covered by this Regulation provided that they are intended for disabled people.

Restraint systems complying with the provisions of Regulation No. 107, 02 series of amendments, Annex 8, are exempted from the provisions of this Regulation.

Class I, or A vehicles belonging to category M<sub>2</sub> or M<sub>3</sub> may be fitted with safety belts and/or restraint systems conforming to the requirements of this Regulation.”

## II. Justification

According to the November 2009 session of the World Forum, the representative of the Russian Federation introduced WP.29-149-19 proposing to delete the amendment included in ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2008/106/Amend.1 to Regulation No. 16 (Safety-belts). The World Forum agreed in principle with the proposal of the representative of the Russian Federation and requested GRSP to further review the technical contents of ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2008/106/Amend. 1 at its December 2009 session. The World Forum requested the secretariat to refer the document back to GRSP for further consideration (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/1079, para. 48). This document has been prepared as a consolidated text of paragraph 8.1.1. of the Regulation, taking into account the proposal of the Russian Federation as indicated in WP.29-149-19.