Proposal for amendment to Regulation No. 113 (Headlamps emitting a symmetrical passing beam)

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The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from Germany to introduce Class A headlamps with LED or LED modules. It is based on informal document GRE-65-14, distributed during the sixty-fifth session of the Working Party on Lighting and Light Signalling (GRE) and supplements ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRE/2011/5. The modifications to the existing text of the Regulation are marked in bold for new or strikethrough for deleted characters.

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I. Proposal

Paragraph 5.3., amend to read:

"5.3. Headlamps of class A, B, C or D shall be equipped with filament lamp(s) approved according to Regulation No. 37 and/or, for headlamps of class A, C or D, with (an) LED module(s). However in the case of headlamps of class A the LED or LED module may be not replaceable."

Paragraph 5.3.2.3., amend to read:

"5.3.2.3. The total objective luminous flux of all LED modules producing the passing beam shall be measured as described in paragraph 5 of Annex 12. The following minimum and maximum limits shall apply:

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II. Justification

1. Vehicle manufacturers would like to use Class A headlamps with LED or LED modules, especially in combination with electric propulsion system. However, such headlamps are not foreseen by the Regulation.

3. The experts of Germany see therefore the need for introducing Class A headlamps with LED or LED modules. These headlamps are similar to good bicycle headlamps and are therefore relative small. Consequently, removable LED modules are not necessary.