### Some proposals of interpretations on UN R51.03 following GRB-64-15 - (France) Some proposals to improve efficiency of road vehicle noise regulations

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"If the vehicle allows different transmission setups like automatic or manual gear selection and/or different software programs or modes (e.g. sporty, winter, adaptive) leading to valid accelerations, the vehicle manufacturer shall prove to the satisfaction of the Technical Service, that **the vehicle is tested in the mode which achieves an acceleration being closest to**  $a_{wot}$ "ref."

→ Could we consider that the mode which usually achieves an acceleration being closest to  $a_{wot ref}$  is **locked-gear** (using 1 gear with a <sub>wot ref</sub> ± 5% or 2 gears).

 Could principle be extend to transmission variant in a vehicle type ?



→ For a vehicle-type which can equipped either with locked or with non-locked transmission, could we recommend that the vehicle shall be tested **only in locked gear** instead of both with locked and non-locked gear.

"The vehicle transmission, gear, or gear ratio may be controlled by electronic or mechanical measures to avoid the activation of a kick-down function.

Therefore, it is permitted to establish and use electronic or mechanical devices, including alternate gear selector positions, to prevent a downshift to a gear ratio which is typically not used for the specified test condition in urban traffic."

 $\rightarrow$  Could we precise the use of electronic device by manufacturer to test in alternate gear ?

"The vehicle transmission, gear, or gear ratio may be controlled by electronic or mechanical measures to avoid the activation of a kickdown function."

How to define Kick-down function ?

- Gear shifting
  - x gear shifting or
  - gear shifting to a gear ratio which is typically not used for the specified test condition in urban traffic
- Notch on pedal position close to end position

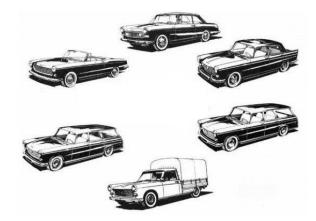
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 $\rightarrow$  Could we precise kickdown function ?

#### Mass of the representative vehicle

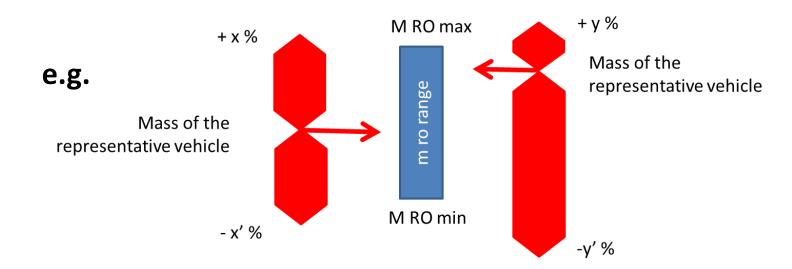
- The test mass has to be measured with +/- 5% compared to target mass.
- Mass is not part of the Vehicle Type definition. In that case the representative vehicle selected for testing could be for example, a 5 seats or 7 seats, with or without option, ...

 → There is not only one mass in running order (target mass) but a range of mass in running order.



#### Mass of the representative vehicle

→ Could we consider range of m  $_{ro}$ ? → Could we precise how to select representative vehicle regarding range of m  $_{ro}$ ?



 $\rightarrow$  How to consider PMR, a <sub>wot ref</sub>, a <sub>urban</sub>, L <sub>urban</sub> calculation... regarding m <sub>ro</sub> range ?