Transposition of GTR15 (WLTP) into UN Regulations

Update from WLTP Transposition Task Force
Background

• The creation of the WLTP transposition task force was endorsed in June 2016 at the 169th Session of WP.29 through the adoption of document ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2016/73 (submitted as an AC.3 official document (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/AC.3/44) for the 170th Session of WP.29 in November 2016.)

• No meetings of the task force yet held.

• Document WLTP-17-14 from WLTP IWG #17 provides a summary of the discussions / decisions on the WLTP transposition from June 2016 onwards

• This document provides a summary for the 74th GRPE
IWG #16 and IWG #17

**IWG #16**
- OICA presented a stepwise approach on how to transpose the gtr 15 into the 1958 agreement.
  - Step 0: transitional provisions in R.83 and R.101
  - Step 1: transpose EU regulation (xxx/2016) into R.83 (new 08 series) and R101?
  - Step 2: full transposition of GTR15 into UNR
- Japan registered their concerns over undertaking Step 1.

**IWG #17**
- Japan provided their position on OICA’s proposals
  - Do not support OICA’s proposal for Step 1
  - Support Step 2 and will provide input and their full support to the task force
Step 0 – 170th session of WP.29

- The secretariat recalled the urgency of this proposal and stressed that it should be an official document for the March 2017 WP.29 session, subject to the endorsement by GRPE in January 2017.

- WP.29 noted WP.29-170-05 and requested the secretariat to issue it as an official document for the next session in March 2017. The secretariat requested the representatives of OICA and EU to provide their comments by 5 December 2016 at the latest, so that they can be taken into account when preparing the official document. (Source: ECE/TRANS/WP.29/1126)

- Amended transitional provisions provided in the following working documents for the 171st session of WP.29 in March 2017:
  - ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/42 – Regulation No. 83 06 series
  - ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/43 – Regulation No. 83 07 series
  - ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/44 – Regulation No. 101 01 series
Step 2

- UNECE secretariat proposed an approach for the transposition of WLTP into UN Regulation at the 73rd GRPE (GRPE-73-26)

- The secretariat underlined the complexity to be fully in line with the 1958 Agreement in the transposition process, particularly in a situation where not all Contracting Parties applying that Regulation would accept any of the alternative requirements.

- The secretariat informed GRPE about a possible way forward, although alerted that it would only be comprehensible under Revision 3 of the 1958 Agreement and it would be subject to the endorsement of the Office of Legal Affairs (OLA) and all Contracting Parties to the 1958 Agreement. The secretariat highlighted that any Contracting Party intending to cease applying a Regulation should notify it at least one year in advance.

- GRPE noted the urgency to solve the issues related to the transposition of WLTP into a new Regulation and agreed to further discuss it at the next GRPE session on the basis of the work carried out by the Task Force dealing with this topic.

Possible way forward to avoid “options” in the case “alternatives” are not accepted by all Contracting Parties

• Regional levels (Level 1a, Level 1b, etc.) to be published in the original version of the new Regulation on WLTP, whereas the harmonized Level 2 to be introduced by the 01 series of amendments to that new Regulation

• The original version of the WLTP Regulation and its 01 series of amendments can be adopted by WP.29 at the same time

• The original version of the Regulation could contain introductory provisions as it was the case e.g. in Regulations Nos. 116 and 117

• Possible introductory provisions: “As from the date of entry into force of this Regulation, Contracting Parties shall not grant type approvals according to this Regulation until [the date of entry into force of the 01 series of amendments].”

• This possible way forward would only make sense under Revision 3 of the 1958 Agreement and would be subject to the endorsement of the Office of Legal Affairs (OLA) and all Contracting Parties to the 1958 Agreement

Source GRPE-73-26
Possible way forward to avoid “options” in the case “alternatives” are not accepted by all Contracting Parties

Adoption of the original version of the WLTP Regulation and the 01 series of amendments by WP.29

6 months – OLA notification for the original version

Original version comes into force but not yet applicable as by the introductory provisions

6 months – OLA notification for the 01 series of amendments

First series of amendments comes into force
Original version is now applicable
Latest series of amendments (Level 2 – most stringent one) only subject to mutual recognition

N.B. Similar process was done for the entry into force of Regulations Nos. 132 (REC) and 135 (PSI), but without introductory provisions.

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Step 2 continued

- Task Force Participation – interest in participating in the Task Force has been registered by:
  - EU; Japan; India; OICA; and IWVTA representatives.

- Request for any other interested parties to contact Task Force leader as soon as possible (e-mail details at end of this document)

- Task Force meetings
  - Aim to hold a minimum of two Task Force meetings prior to the next WLTP Informal Working Group (IWG #18 in Berne, April 2017)
    - First meeting preferably a face-to-face meeting. Venue to be agreed.
  - Informal document providing an update on progress to be presented to the 75th GRPE in June 2017
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