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**Strategic questions of a modal and thematic nature:****Road safety****Excerpt of the Report of the Global Forum for Road Traffic Safety on its seventy- fifth session****Note by the secretariat***Summary*

At its seventy-ninth annual session, the Inland Transport Committee (ITC) invited its Working Parties to consider preparing contributions to the draft strategy of ITC that will be considered by the Committee in 2018 (ECE/TRANS/270, para. 17). The Committee is invited to take note of the following text that was agreed by the ITC Global Forum for Road Traffic Safety (WP.1) (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/159).

At the last ITC session, Working Parties were invited to consider preparing contributions to the draft strategy of ITC that will be considered by the Committee in 2018. The WP.1 Chair presented ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2017/6 and some tangible suggestions. After discussion, WP.1 agreed on the following text which would be forwarded to the Committee:

Improving road safety globally:

Promote the United Nations Conventions on Road Traffic and on Road Signs and Signals and Consolidated Resolutions.

- Facilitate capacity-building working plan in coordination with other United Nations Regional Commissions to promote road safety in the frame of transport-related targets as stated in the Agenda 2030.

- Facilitate cross-regional strategic networking so that the subsidiary bodies, such as the Global Forum for Road Traffic Safety, can share effectively at a global level their expertise and experiences in road safety.
  - Take into account both the benefits and the challenges associated with advances in automotive technology, facilitate cooperative dialogue among governments, industries, academia and stakeholders in order to promote the new vision of automated and connected mobility aligned with road safety principles and values.
  - Take the lead in promoting dedicated policies and work plans on safe and sustainable mobility, in consideration of the United Nations Secretary-General's call to act in respect of transformational policies aiming at societal betterment and sustained economic growth.
  - Cooperate with Secretary-General's Special Envoy for Road Safety in advocating for road safety.
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