

Dear Members of GRSP,

In May 2019, I will be retiring from government service at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). Consequently, I wish to let all of you know that I will no longer be participating in future sessions of the GRSP thus concluding my mandate as Chairman.

It has indeed been a great honor to serve as Chairman of GRSP for the last five years. As I look back at our achievements, my gratitude goes to all of you for your commitment and excellent work towards the continuous development of passive safety requirements for vehicles. I am proud to have worked with such outstanding and hardworking people who have introduced me to big words like ISOFIX, i-size dummies, and used working expressions like "It's not rocket science"; who have spent long afternoon sessions of proposals and counter-proposals only to realize that more mutual resolutions happen at small group discussions during coffee breaks at the delegate lounge. What a difference a small cup of espresso makes!

To Mr. Secretary Edoardo Gianotti, thank you for keeping me straight on so many issues including "Corrigendum to Supplement" and "Supplement to series of Amendments." Please accept my gratitude to you for the valuable support that you have given me at GRSP and for the friendship that this mandate has fostered between us.

I also wish to extend my appreciation to Vice-Chairman Dr. Jae-Wan Lee of the Republic of Korea for your valuable partnership and leadership that made our commitment to making each GRSP session a success possible.

And to the rest of the experts here at GRSP, my most sincere thanks for the cooperation that you have rendered to me during my mandate as GRSP chairman. Your contribution and dedication has brought many excellent endeavors into fruition. I hold your hard work in the highest respect.

As I bid all of you farewell, I am grateful for all your years of hard work and commitment. I value the friendships that we have fostered and will always consider it my immense honor to have worked with each one of you here at the United Nations in Geneva.

I wish for the success of GRSP in its undertakings, and I wish all of you the best in your future endeavors. I remain,

Respectfully yours,

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