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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda**Annotated provisional agenda for the fifty-fourth session**¹²

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 2.30 p.m. on Monday, 19 September 2011 and concluding at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 21 September 2011

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II. Annotations and list of documents

1. Adoption of the agenda

In accordance with Chapter III, Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure (TRANS/WP.29/690 and Amend.1) of the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29), the first item on the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2011/9).

2. Regulation No. 41 (Noise of motorcycles)

The Working Party on Noise (GRB) expects a proposal aligning the provisions of Regulation Nos. 9 and 63 with those of the 04 series of amendments to Regulation No. 41 (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/51, paras. 3–4).

3. Regulation No. 51 (Noise of M and N categories of vehicles):

(a) Development

GRB may wish to continue exchanging views on the development of Regulation No. 51 and may receive information on the status of the 3-year review ISO 362-1:2007 if available (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/51, paras. 5-6).

(b) New sound limit values

GRB agreed to review the categorization of vehicles with respect to the new limit values for noise level. Further considerations are expected for a proposal on method B noise limit values prepared by the expert from European Commission (EC), if available (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/51, paras. 7–12).

Documentation

Informal document GRB-54-01

(c) Additional sound emission provisions

GRB agreed to review the new provisions on Additional Sound Emission Provisions (ASEP) with respect to the new noise limit values. (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/51, paras. 13–15).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2011/2. Informal document GRB-53-27

4. Regulation No. 59 (Replacement silencing systems)

GRB may wish to consider a new proposal for amendments, if available. (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/51, paras. 16-17).

5. Regulation No. 92 (Replacement exhaust silencing systems for motorcycles)

GRB agreed to consider a proposal submitted by the expert from International Motorcycle Manufacturers Association (IMMA). (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/51, para. 18).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2011/10

6. Regulation No. 117 (Tyre rolling noise and wet grip adhesion)

GRB agreed to resume consideration of an updated proposal by the expert from the Russian Federation, if available. GRB may wish to be informed by the expert from International Organization for Standardization (ISO) about the corresponding work in progress on measuring the rolling resistance of tyres (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/51, paras. 19-22). GRB may also wish to consider proposals submitted by the European Tyre and Rim Technical Organisation (ETRTO) to amend provisions of Regulation No. 117.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRRF/2011/29, ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRRF/2011/30

7. Collective amendments to Regulations Nos. 41, 51 and 59

GRB may wish to examine a proposal by the expert from the Netherlands to harmonize the use of the terminology used in certain Regulations if available (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/51, para. 23).

8. Exchange of information on national and international requirements on noise levels

GRB may wish to continue the exchange of views on developing national or regional legislation and international requirements concerning noise levels (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/51, para. 24).

9. Influence of road surface on tyre rolling sound emissions

GRB is expected to receive new information on this (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/51, para. 25).

10. Quiet road transport vehicles

The Chair of the informal group on Quiet Road Transport Vehicles (QRTV) is expected to report on the progress made by the experts at the sixth informal meeting (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/51, paras. 26–27).

11. Environmentally friendly vehicles

GRB will continue the exchange of views on this matter. (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/51, paras. 28–29).

12. Election of officers

In compliance with Rule 37 of the Rules of Procedure (TRANS/WP.29/690 and Amend.1), GRPE will elect the Chair for the sessions scheduled for the year 2012.

13. Other business

GRB may wish to consider any other subjects, if necessary.
