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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

#### Adoption of the agenda

## Annotated provisional agenda for the fifty-eighth session<sup>1,2</sup>

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 2.30 p.m. on Monday, 2 September 2013 and concluding at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, 5 September 2013.

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## **II. Annotations**

### **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

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\* Documents in brackets are for reference purposes only and will not be considered at the session.

Regulations (WP.29), the first item on the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2013/6).

## **2. Regulation No. 41 (Noise of motorcycles): Development**

The Working Party on Noise (GRB) agreed to resume consideration on a proposal (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/5) providing harmonized definitions on vehicle type concerning noise, the terms noise and sound on the basis of further information provided by the expert from the Russian Federation. GRB also agreed to resume consideration on a proposal (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2013/7) tabled by the expert from the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) for updating the text of the UN Regulation concerning the test site with the latest amendment of ISO Standard 5130:2012. GRB may also consider a proposal for amendments tabled by the expert from International Motorcycle Manufacturers Association (IMMA) to introduce corrections to the text of the UN Regulation (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2013/11).

### **Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/55, paras. 3–4  
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/5  
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2013/7  
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2013/11

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

### **(a) Development**

GRB agreed to resume discussion on the updating of the ISO references to the noise test track from ISO 10844:1994 to ISO 10844:2011 on the basis of a revised consolidated proposal of the 03 series of amendments to the UN Regulation, tabled by the group of interested experts on vehicle noise, if available. GRB agreed to resume discussion on the draft amendment of method B (Annexes 9 and 10 of the UN Regulation), on the basis of a revised proposal jointly prepared by the experts from China, ISO and the International Organization of Motor Vehicle Manufacturers (OICA), if available.

### **Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/55, paras. 5–6  
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2013/4  
(ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/8)  
(ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/16)  
(GRB-56-12) (GRB-57-13)

### **(b) New limit values**

GRB agreed to resume discussion on the noise limit values in method B based on the outcome of the group of interested expert on vehicle noise and on a concrete revised proposal of the 03 series of amendments to the UN Regulation submitted by this group, if available.

### **Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/55, paras. 7–10  
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/7  
Informal documents GRB-54-03, GRB-57-07, GRB-57-19 and GRB-57-23

(c) **Additional sound emission provisions**

GRB agreed to review the new provisions on Additional Sound Emission Provisions (ASEP) to refine the purpose of the new noise limit values (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/52, paras. 8–9).

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2011/64

**4. Regulation No. 59 (Replacement silencing systems)**

GRB agreed to resume consideration of this subject on the basis of a proposal for amendments (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2013/8), prepared by the expert from European Association of Automobile Suppliers (CLEPA), if available.

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/55, para. 12

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2013/8

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

GRB might wish to continue discussion on proposed amendments, if available.

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

GRB may wish to resume consideration of a revised proposal (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2013/10) tabled by the expert from the Russian Federation aimed at providing detailed elaboration of the concept of tire deceleration in the test technology.

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/55, paras. 18-20

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2013/10

**7. Collective amendments**

(a) **Regulations Nos. 41, 51 and 59**

GRB may wish to examine a proposal by the expert from the Netherlands harmonizing the use of terminology in certain Regulations, if available (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/53, para. 16).

(b) **Regulation Nos. 9 and 63**

GRB might wish to consider further proposals of amendments, if available.

(c) **Additional sound emission provisions for Regulations Nos. 9, 63 and 92**

GRB agreed to resume consideration of this agenda item on the basis of a proposed road map tabled by the expert from IMMA, if available (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/55, para. 23).

(d) **Proposal for amendments to Regulations Nos. 28, 51, 59 and 117**

GRB may wish to examine a proposal tabled by the expert from OICA, introducing the concept of extension and revision of approvals into UN Regulations Nos. 28, 51, 59 and 117, if available.

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/55, para. 24  
(GRB-57-16)

**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. Moreover, GRB agreed to continue the exchange of information on the basis of data concerning noise value declared by manufacturers for each tyre classes (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/55, para. 25).

**9. Influence of road surface on tyre rolling sound emissions**

GRB may receive new information on studies developed by the expert from the European Tyre and Rim Technical Organisation (ETRTO) (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/54, para. 25).

**10. Quiet Road Transport Vehicles**

GRB agreed to resume discussion of this agenda item, awaiting the outcome of the informal working group on quiet road transport vehicles (QRTV).

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/55, paras. 27-28  
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/6  
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/AC.3/33

**11. Definitions and acronyms in Regulations under the responsibilities of GRB**

GRB agreed to resume discussion on this subject on the basis of proposals voluntarily prepared by the experts from CLEPA concerning UN Regulations Nos. 59 and 28 and by the expert from the European Commission concerning QRTV, if available.

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/55, para. 29  
Informal documents GRB-57-12 and GRB-57-18

## **12. Proposal for amendments to the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles**

GRB agreed to resume consideration on a proposal (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2013/9) tabled by the expert from the Russian Federation that aimed at updating the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles (R.E.3). GRB also agreed to consider a revised proposal aimed at specifying how to test road tractors tabled by the expert from the Russian Federation in cooperation with the expert from OICA, if available. Finally, GRB may resume consideration on two revised proposals concerning vehicle internal noise assessment and recommended limit values, tabled by the expert from the Russian Federation, if available.

### **Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/55, paras. 30–33  
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2013/9  
(ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2012/12)  
(GRB-57-08) (GRB-57-10) (GRB-57-11)

## **13. Environmentally Friendly Vehicles**

GRB will continue exchanging views on this matter (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/52, para. 21).

## **14. Development of the International Whole Vehicle Type Approval (IWVTA) system and involvement of the Working Parties (GRs) in it**

GRB may wish to consider this matter following the discussion held during the June 2012 session of WP.29.

## **15. 1997 Agreement (Periodical technical inspections)**

Following the decision of WP.29 at its March 2013 session, GRB will consider a proposal (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2013/64) of amendments to Rule No. 1 (Environmental protection).

### **Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/1102, paras. 73–74  
ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2013/64

## **16. Highlights of the March and June 2013 session of WP.29**

GRB will be briefed by the secretariat about the highlights of the March and June 2013 session of WP.29 on GRB and common issues.

## **17. Other business**

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

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