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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

Annotated provisional agenda for the sixty-sixth session^{*,}**

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 2.30 p.m. on Monday, 4 September 2017 and concluding at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 6 September 2017.

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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, Amend.1 and Amend. 2) of the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29), the first item on the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2017/3

2. Regulation No. 28 (Audible warning devices)

GRB will consider new proposals, if available.

3. Regulation No. 41 (Noise emissions of motorcycles): Development

GRB is invited to revert to the proposal by the expert from the International Motorcycle Manufacturers Association (IMMA) to delete a description of the L₄ vehicle category from Annex 3 to Regulation No. 41.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2017/4

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

(a) Development

GRB will consider proposals prepared by a group of experts that updates and revises the 03 series of amendments to Regulation No. 51.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2017/6

(b) Additional sound emission provisions

GRB will consider proposals submitted by the Informal Working Group on Additional Sound Emission Provisions (IWG ASEP).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2017/5

5. Regulation No. 63 (Noise emissions of mopeds)

GRB will revert to the draft amendments on powered cycles proposed by the expert from the European Commission.

Documentation

Informal document GRB-65-09

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

GRB will consider new proposals, if available.

7. Regulation No. 138 (Quiet road transport vehicles)

The Informal Working Groups (IWG) on the QRTV Regulation and on the QRTV Global Technical Regulation (GTR) will report on their activities.

GRB is also invited to consider a proposal by the expert from the International Organization of Motor Vehicle Manufacturers (OICA) that aligns the wording of the transitional provisions in the 01 series of amendments to Regulation No. 138.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2017/7

8. Draft Regulation on reversing alarm

At its previous session, GRB was of the view that a new Regulation on reversing alarm should be prepared and that the main issues for discussion would be its scope (categories of vehicles), the possible existence of a pause switch and the alarm sound composition (sound levels and frequencies). GRB agreed that there was no need to establish a new informal working group and that the initial drafting would be carried out by a small group of interested parties.

Against this background, GRB will be informed about progress in the preparation of a new draft Regulation.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/63, paras. 3 and 4

9. Collective amendments

GRB will consider new proposals, if available.

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

GRB will continue the exchange of views on developing national or regional legislation and international requirements concerning noise levels.

11. Influence of road surface on tyre rolling sound emissions

GRB will recall the project on labelling road surfaces presented by the expert for the Netherlands at the previous session.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/63, para. 24

12. Acronyms and abbreviations in Regulations under the responsibility of the Working Party on Noise

GRB may wish to identify any new acronyms and abbreviations in Regulations under its responsibility.

13. Proposals for amendments to the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles

GRB will recall the proposal by the expert from the Russian Federation to change the measuring units for vehicle masses from tonnes to kilograms.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/78/Rev.4, Informal document GRB-65-03-Rev.1

14. Development of the International Whole Vehicle Type Approval system and involvement of the Working Parties in it

GRB may wish to consider this matter in light of the discussions at the March and June 2017 sessions of WP.29.

15. Highlights of the March and June 2017 sessions of WP.29

GRB will be briefed by the secretariat about the highlights of the November 2016 session of WP.29 on GRB and common issues.

16. Exchange of views on the future work of GRB

GRB may wish to resume its discussion on issues that should be included in the future work.

Documentation

Informal document GRB-65-15

17. Other business

GRB may consider any other subjects, if necessary.

18. Provisional agenda for the sixty-seventh session

GRB is invited to provide guidance on the provisional agenda for the next session scheduled to be held in Geneva from 24 (starting at 2.30 p.m.) to 26 (concluding at 5.30 p.m.) January 2018.

19. Election of officers

In compliance with Rule 37 of the Rules of Procedure (TRANS/WP.29/690 and Amend.1), GRB will elect the Chair and Vice-Chair for the sessions scheduled for the year 2017.
