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This document, submitted by the Government of Australia, provides basic information on the Office of Road Safety, National Road Safety Strategy 2021-2030, and Australia’s road safety targets.
In reference to Agenda item 2 (Activities of interest to the Working Party) and the invitation to submit, in writing, information on national road safety activities and initiatives – please find below information on Australia’s work in this area:

The Australian Government established the Office of Road Safety on 1 July 2019 to provide national leadership and coordination to improve road safety outcomes. The draft Australian National Road Safety Strategy 2021-2030 is currently open for public consultation. The Strategy supports strong governance, transparency and accountability by all levels of government in Australia, and adopts a social model approach to deliver road safety actions, mapping out a path to foster a road safety culture across Australian society. The Strategy has three key themes: Safe Roads, Safe Vehicles and Safe Road Use. Speed management is embedded within all three themes. These themes represent a continued commitment to the safe system approach and aim to strengthen all elements of our road transport system through improvements under each. The draft Strategy for 2021-30 sets targets to reduce deaths from road crashes by at least 50 per cent by 2030, and reduce the rate of serious injuries from road crashes by at least 30 per cent by 2030 (per 100,000 population). These targets over the next 10 years aim to set Australia on the path to achieve Vision Zero (zero deaths and serious injuries) by 2050.