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Proposal for Corrigendum 1 to Supplement 12 to the 06 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 16 (Safety-belts)

Note by the Secretariat*

The text reproduced below was prepared by the Secretariat to clarify some text in UN Regulation No. 16. The modifications to the current text of the UN Regulation are marked in bold for new or strikethrough for deleted characters.

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* In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2021 as outlined in proposed programme budget for 2021 (A/75/6 (Sect.20), para 20.51), the World Forum will develop, harmonize and update UN Regulations in order to enhance the performance of vehicles. The present document is submitted in conformity with that mandate.
I. Proposal

Annex 1A, point 3.3., amend to read:

"3.3. Driver's Safety-belt reminders (indicate yes/no ?);"

II. Justification

1. With the start of the 07 Series of amendments the requirements for safety-belt reminders have been extended;

2. Accordingly, during the sixty-fifth session of the Working Party on Passive Safety (GRSP) it was agreed to delete the word Driver's from the Communication form bringing the Information sheet again in line with the legal text of the 07 series of amendments.

3. However, GRSP also agreed to hand over the same amendment to the 06 series of amendments (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRSP/65, para. 18).

4. In the first case of the 07 series the correction was fully consistent. Conversely for the 06 series of amendments the correction was inconsistent with the scope. As a matter of fact, in the past the Information sheet (Certificate) in its paragraph 3.3. only made reference to the seating position where the safety-belt reminder (SBR) was really required, so the seating position of the driver.

5. Even though, vehicles type approved according to the 06 series of amendments often had some kind of SBR on other seating positions as well, but they were not evaluated during type approval due to the lack of requirements for those seating positions and the fact that they simply were out of scope.

6. For existing type approvals granted according to the 06 series of amendments to the UN Regulation No. 16, the current information sheet leads to confusion when the manufacturer applies for an extension of type approval or applies for a new approval according to the 06 series of amendments.

7. The above proposal aims at bringing the previous text of the information sheet referring to the safety-belt reminder where it is really required, namely the seating position of the driver.