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**Standards**

 Comments on ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2021/41

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 Statement by the Chairperson of CEN TC 23

1. The expert of France transmitted ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2021/41. This paper raised a number of issues concerning EN ISO 11118:2015 *Gas cylinders – Non-refillable metallic gas cylinders – Specification and test methods.*

2. ISO 11118:2015 Gas cylinders – Non-refillable metallic gas cylinders – Specification and test methods was prepared by ISO/TC58/SC3 and adopted under the Vienna agreement as EN ISO 11118:2015. The standard was developed by the ISO committee and is based on standards successfully applied in a number of countries. It is estimated that many millions of cylinders have been produced to this, or similar standards.

3. As EN ISO 11118 was developed by an ISO committee, it is proposed that the points raised in ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2021/41 and any other comments from the Joint Meeting are forwarded to ISO/TC58/SC3 for consideration by the experts. Note that the next Plenary Meeting of ISO/TC58/SC3 is due to be held on 20 and 21 October 2021. They have confirmed that this matter is on the Agenda of the Plenary Meeting and will be discussed during the meeting.