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Comment on the requirements of 6.8.1.5.6 proposed in document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2021/23/Rev.1

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Introduction

1. In 6.8.1.5.6 of document ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.1/2021/23/Rev.1, left column (ADR:), it is required that intermediate, periodic or exceptional inspections shall be performed in the country of registration by an inspection body approved or recognized by the competent authority of that country.
2. This requirement may pose some difficulties for exceptional inspections which are generally required when the tank has undergone a major repair or when the tank has been altered. Repair work may require a perfect knowledge of the product together with a high qualification of the workers making them, which can justify a return of the tank to the manufacturer which may be located in a country other than the country of registration.
3. Therefore, we think that it is necessary to complete the proposed text as follows in order to also have the possibility of performing this exceptional inspection in the country of manufacture even if it is located in a country other than the country of registration.

Proposal

4. In 6.8.1.5.6, add the following sentence before the last paragraph:
"Exceptional inspections may be performed in the country of manufacture by an inspection body approved or recognized by the competent authority of that country."
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