Proposal for Supplement 7 to the 03 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 129 (Enhanced Child Restraint Systems)

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I. Proposal

Paragraph 6.6.4.5.1., amend to read:

6.6.4.5.1. Main injury assessment criterion — Head containment

During the loading phase of lateral impact testing, up to 80 ms, at the start of the lateral impact test, side protection shall always be positioned at the same horizontal level and longitudinal position as that of the dummy’s head centre of gravity, perpendicular to the direction of the door intrusion between the vertical longitudinal planes of the head and the door panel.

During the loading phase of lateral impact testing, up to 80 ms, head containment shall be assessed by the following criteria:

(a) No head contact with the door panel;

(b) No part of the head shall pass beyond the vertical longitudinal plane identified by a red on top of the door panel (top view camera). This vertical longitudinal plane is identified by a line on the impacted door as defined in Annex 6, Appendix 3, Figure 1 (‘head containment plane’). This criterion is for monitoring purpose only for tests with a Q10 dummy.

II. Justification

1. The proposal is meant to clarify how to assess the head containment and ensure there is a side impact protection provided at the head cg level. It takes on board EU Commission’s comments.