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UN Regulation No. 16 (Safety-belts)**Proposal for Supplement 5 to 08 Series of Amendments to UN Regulation No. 16 (Safety-belts) *****Submitted by the expert from the European Association of Automotive Suppliers**

The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from the European Association of Automotive Suppliers (CLEPA) to prevent the approval mark from being replaced by a Unique Identifier (UI) 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.

* In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2023 as outlined in proposed programme budget for 2023 (A/77/6 (Sect. 20), table 20.6), 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

Insert new paragraphs 5.3.5., amend to read:

"5.3.5. The approval mark prescribed in paragraph 5.3.4. above may not be replaced by a Unique Identifier (UI) as referred to in Schedule 5 of the 1958 Agreement."

Paragraphs 5.3.5., 5.3.6. and 5.3.7. (former), renumber as paragraphs 5.3.6., 5.3.7. and 5.3.8. respectively.

II. Justification

1. According to Revision 3 of the 1958 Agreement, the approval mark may be replaced by a Unique Identifier (UI), however, it is also acknowledged that for UN Regulations it may be specified that the approval number may not be replaced by a Unique Identifier.
 2. In the case of the UN Regulation for safety-belts, the approval mark carries important information for users but also for technical inspection, bodybuilders and customs. They must get the correct information in an easy and accessible way that is stipulated in the marking.
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