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PROPOSAL FOR DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION No. 70

Transmitted by the Expert from Poland

Note: The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from Poland, in order to avoid unclear and unfair situation on the rear marking plates. This proposal concerns rigidity tests of the rear marking plates.

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**PROPOSAL**Annex 10,

Add new paragraph 3., to read:

- "3. *In case of declaration provided by applicant that plates are designed for mounting on rigid surfaces only, the competent authorities may authorize laboratories to omit tests described in this Annex, provided that such omission and reason is mentioned under "Remarks" on the form notifying approval."*

**A. JUSTIFICATION**

This proposal is related to introduction of Supplement 3 to the 01 series of amendments to the Regulation No.70, which have brought changes regarding practice of laboratories rigidity tests of plates, which were omitted under condition that they are mounted on rigid surface of vehicle. Now many plates, which could have obtained type approval before the 12<sup>th</sup> of September 2003, will not obtain type approval after that date. As a result, producers which already have obtained type approval are privileged in comparison with producers which will apply for type approval now and later. So it is proposed to allow omitting the rigidity test by laboratories, as it have been practised till now, if applicant specifies where the rear marking plates should be mounted. In such case adequate remark is needed on the form notifying approval.