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DRAFT CORRIGENDUM TO SUPPLEMENT 15 TO THE 04 SERIES OF AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION No. 16

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A. PROPOSAL

Paragraph 8.3.5, replace by:

"... requirements of annex 17. Any vehicle of category M1 must be equipped with ISOFIX positions, in accordance with the relevant prescriptions of Regulation 14.

The first ISOFIX position shall allow at least the installation of one out of the three forward-facing fixtures as defined in appendix 2 of annex 17; the second ISOFIX position shall allow at least the installation of one out of the three rearfacing fixtures as defined in appendix 2 of annex 17. For this second ISOFIX position, in case where the installation of the rear-facing fixture is not possible on the second row of seats of the vehicle due to its design, the installation of one out of the six fixtures is allowed in any position of the vehicle."

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B. JUSTIFICATION

The current prescriptions of Regulation 16, paragraph 8.3.5 (Supplement 15 to R16.04 – see document TRANS/WP29/932) lead to some ambiguities since they do not take into account the relevant prescriptions of Regulation 14. This could possibly lead to the mandatory requirement, under R16, for ISOFIX positions on vehicle seating positions exempted by R14 (e.g. vehicles with only one seat row, convertible vehicles).

It is therefore proposed to correct this ambiguity by clearly referring, in Regulation 16, to the prescriptions of Regulation 14. Such would indeed ensure that any future amendment to R14 is automatically taken into account in R16.

Moreover, all signatories to Regulation 16 are also signatories to Regulation 14, thereby avoiding any potential administrative difficulties.

In addition, Corrigendum 1 to Supplement 15 to R16.04 (document TRANS/WP.29/963) introduced the new ISO/F2X envelope dimensions for a reduced-height forward facing fixture, thereby leading to a total number of three forward facing and three rearward facing ISOFIX test fixtures compared to the previous situation of two forward facing and three rearward facing fixtures. This consequently also needs to be reflected in paragraph 8.3.5.