Japan's position regarding review of technical regulations applicable to IWVTA

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Position

- Japan and the EU have been taking a leading role as covice chairmen of IWVTA informal group in promoting its activities at WP29, and Japan will further contribute to the review of technical regulations applicable to IWVTA.
- More specifically, Japan is ready to become technical sponsor to propose amendments of at least three UN regulations, R125, R46 and R34.
- In addition, while GTR6, WLTP GTR and R51 are currently under consideration at the responsible GRs, Japan is currently studying if there are some measures for acceleration for the consideration.

Background

R34 (Prevention of fire risks)
 Fuel tank is usually attached to the rear of the vehicle, therefore Japan and other countries including the United States have set technical requirements in domestic safety regulations to prevent fuel leakage in the case of rear-end collision. However, in the UN Regulation, such requirements are not mandatory.

Background

- R46 (Rearview mirror)
 The forward and side visibility requirements of R46 is not sufficient for some countries including Japan to identify pedestrians, bicycle or mopeds around the vehicle.
- R125 (Forward field of vision)
 The formal document (WP.29/GRSG/2011/31)
 submitted by Japan that proposes to
 strengthen visibility requirement is currently
 under consideration in GRSG.