Draft Supplement 2 to the 04 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 11 (Door latches and hinges)

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I. Proposal for Supplement 2 to the 04 series of amendments to UN R11

Insert a new paragraph 13.10., to read:

"13.10 Contracting Parties applying this UN Regulation shall continue to accept UN type-approvals issued according to the preceding series of amendments to this UN Regulation first issued before 1 September 2016."

II. Justification

When developing the 04 series of amendments to UN R11, it had always been understood that the new requirements would only become applicable for new approvals and would not affect previously granted approvals. Consequently, no date was specified as from which Contracting Parties applying UN R11 could refuse previously granted approvals.

The new regulatory procedures adopted by WP.29 in November 2017 however foresee that, in the absence of "Date (c)", i.e. the so-called New Registrations date, and in the absence of any other specification in the transitional provisions, this "Date (c)" would automatically be considered as identical to "Date (b)", i.e. the so-called Type Approval date. As a result, there is now the risk that previously granted approvals could be rejected.

OICA is not aware of any particular issue at this stage, but nevertheless believes that the transitional provisions in UN R11 need to reflect the situation valid at the time of adopting the 04 series of amendments, namely that existing approvals should remain acceptable.
