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PROPOSAL FOR DRAFT AMENDMENT TO REGULATION No. 52:

(Small capacity passenger vehicles, M2 and M3 category)

Transmitted by the expert from Germany

Note: The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from Germany in order to clarify the text of the Regulation and add intrusions permitted in the corresponding European Union Directive 2001/85/EC. It is based on a document distributed without a symbol (informal document No. 13) during the eighty-fourth session (TRANS/WP.29/GRSG/63, para. 9). The amendments are indicated in bold character.

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## A. PROPOSAL

Paragraph 5.7.8.5.1., amend to read:

**"5.7.8.5.1 For a seat behind a partition or other rigid structure other than a seat, a minimum clear space in front of each passenger seat shall be provided as shown in annex 3, figure 8. ~~The seat back of another preceding seat or~~ Alternatively a partition whose contour corresponds approximately to that of the inclined seat back may intrude into this space as provided by paragraph 5.7.8.4. ~~The local presence in this space of seat legs shall also be permitted provided that adequate space remains for the passengers feet.~~ In the case of seats alongside the driver's seat, intrusion of the dash board, instrument panel, windscreen, sun visor, seat belts and seat belt anchorages shall be allowed."**

Insert a new paragraph 5.7.8.5.2., to read:

**"5.7.8.5.2. For a seat behind a seat and/or a seat facing the gangway, a minimum clear foot space of at least 300 mm depth and a width according to paragraph 5.7.8.1. shall be provided. The local presence in this space of seat legs shall be permitted provided that adequate space remains for the passengers' feet. This foot space may partly be situated in and/or above the gangway but shall not create any obstruction when measuring the minimum gangway-width in accordance with paragraph 5.7.5."**

Paragraph 5.7.8.5.2., renumber as paragraph 5.7.8.5.3.

Annex 3.

The title of figure 16., amend to read:

**"Space for seated passengers behind a partition  
or other rigid structure other than a seat  
(see paragraph 5.7.8.5.1)"**

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## B. JUSTIFICATION

The intention of the proposal is:

1. see document TRANS/WP.29/2003/18;
  2. see document TRANS/WP.29/2003/18;
  3. to add exclusions permitted in the corresponding paragraphs of European Union Directive 2001/85/EC.
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