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ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE FIFTY-FIRST SESSION^{1 2}

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva
starting at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, 20 March 2007

I. PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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| 2. | Adoption of the report of the
fiftieth session | ECE/TRANS/WP.1/106
ECE/TRANS/WP.1/106/Add.1 to
Add.4 |

¹ For reasons of economy, delegates are requested to bring copies of all relevant documents to the session. There will be no documentation available in the conference room. Before the session, documents may be downloaded from the UNECE Transport Division's website (<http://www.unece.org/trans/main/welcwp1.html>). On an exceptional basis, documents may also be obtained by email (roadsafety@unece.org) or by fax (41 22 917 0039). During the session, official documents may be obtained from the UNOG Documents Distribution Section (Room C.337, third floor, Palais des Nations).

² Delegates are requested to complete the registration form available for download at the UNECE Transport Division's website (<http://www.unece.org/trans/registfr.html>). It should be transmitted to the UNECE secretariat no later than one week prior to the session by email (roadsafety@unece.org) or by fax (41 22 917 0039). Upon arrival at the Palais des Nations, delegates should obtain an identification badge at the UNOG Security and Safety Section, located at the Pregny Gate (14, Avenue de la Paix). In case of difficulty, please contact the secretariat by telephone (ext.75716 or 72401). For a map of the Palais des Nations and other useful information, see website <http://www.unece.org/meetings/practical.htm>.

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4. Amendments to and implementation of the 1968 Conventions on Road Traffic and on Road Signs and Signals and the 1971 European Agreements supplementing them ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2006/15
5. Revision of the Consolidated Resolutions on Road Traffic (R.E.1) and on Road Signs and Signals (R.E.2) TRANS/SC.1/294/Rev.5
TRANS/SC.1/295/Rev.3

R.E.1

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R.E.2

(q) Signing for cycle routes ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2006/24

6. Preparation of the First United Nations Global Road Safety Week

7. Election of Officers of the Working Party

8. Other business

9. Adoption of decisions

II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Item 1 Adoption of the agenda

1. The first item on the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda.

Item 2 Adoption of the report of the fiftieth session of the Working Party

2. The Working Party is invited to adopt the report on its fiftieth session (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/106) which includes in addendums the adopted recommendations on driving under the influence of alcohol (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/106/Add.1), increasing seat-belt usage (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/106/Add.2), safety of pedestrians (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/106/Add.3), and driving permits (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/106/Add.4).

Item 3 Communications

(a) Secretariat

3. The Working Party will be informed about the results of the 69th session of the Inland Transport Committee (ITC) (6-8 February 2007) and in particular whether the ITC approved the request for an additional session of WP.1 in July 2007.

(b) Activities of other organizations

4. Other organizations participating in WP.1 are invited to provide general information on their activities that may be of interest to the Working Party and which are not directly related to items on the agenda.

Item 4 Amendments to and implementation of the 1968 Conventions on Road Traffic and on Road Signs and Signals and the 1971 European Agreements supplementing them

5. At its meeting on 16 and 17 January 2006, the Legal Group had discussed a proposal from WP.29 on automatic activation of the hazard warning signal and indication of emergency braking (not currently authorized under the Vienna Convention on Road Traffic). The Legal Group had proposed that an extra paragraph be added at the start of Annex 5 to the Vienna Convention stating that the provisions of the Annex would be considered fulfilled if, for the specific item concerned, the vehicle met the requirements of the relevant regulation annexed to the 1958 Agreement.

6. The report of the Legal Group appears in document ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2006/15 previously made available to WP.1 as an Informal document available in English only. The WP.1 is invited to consider this proposal.

Item 5 Revisions of the Consolidated Resolutions R.E.1 and R.E.2

Consolidated Resolution on Road Traffic (R.E.1)

(a) Restructuring of R.E.1

7. The new draft structure of R.E.1 appears in ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2005/15/Rev.3. The Working Party is not expected to discuss this item.

(b) Improving bicycle, motorcycle and moped safety

8. At its 50th session, WP.1 adopted a revised recommendation on the safety of bicycles, mopeds and motorcycles. The revised text appears in ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2006/4/Rev.2. This document will be discussed in conjunction with ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2006/22 on “Infrastructure and safety for two-wheelers”.

(c) Communication and road safety campaigns

9. The final adopted text of the recommendation appears in Annex 1 of ECE/TRANS/WP.1/106.

10. The Working Party agreed to examine at its 51st session the proposed introduction for chapter 2 of R.E.1 “Influencing behaviour on the road” prepared by FEVR and presented in ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2006/10/Rev.1.

(d) Speed

11. The Working Party is invited to reconsider a revised draft recommendation on speed (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2005/19/Rev.2) incorporating changes agreed at the 50th session.

(e) Mobile phones

12. The Working Party is invited to consider a new draft recommendation on driving and mobile phone use submitted by France (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2006/8).

(f) Safety of children

13. The Working Party is invited to examine proposed amendments to R.E.1 concerning the safety of children presented in ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2006/10/Rev.1 and ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2006/11 and an introductory sentence to chapter 4 proposed by FEVR in ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2006/10/Rev.1. The Working Party may also wish to consider the comments made by FEVR regarding annex 8 of R.E.1.

(g) Contents of first-aid kit

14. The Working Party may wish to consider the proposal relating to the contents of the first-aid kit to be carried on board vehicles, which is contained in ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2004/17/Rev.1.

(h) Special rules concerning certain categories of vehicles

15. The Working Party may also wish to examine a revised draft text for R.E.1 on special rules concerning certain categories of vehicles (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2006/12) submitted by the representative of PRI.

(i) Driving instruction

16. The Working Party will have before it a revised draft text for R.E.1 concerning driving instruction prepared by the representative of the European Commission (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2006/13).

(j) Advertising and road safety

17. The Working Party will have before it a draft text for R.E.1 on advertising and road safety (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2006/20) submitted by the representative of France and the secretariat.

(k) Safety at road works and at the scene of an incident/accident

18. The Working Party will have before it a draft text for R.E.1 concerning safety at road works and at the scene of an incident/accident (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2006/21) prepared by the representative of France and the secretariat.

(l) Infrastructure and safety for two wheelers

19. The Working Party is invited to consider a draft text for R.E.1 concerning infrastructure for two-wheelers (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2006/22) prepared by the representative of France and the secretariat. This document will be discussed in connection with the relevant parts of document ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2006/4/Rev.2.

(m) General rules regarding vehicles and their equipment

20. The Working Party may wish to examine a draft text for R.E.1 concerning vehicles and their equipment (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2006/23) prepared by the representative of France and the secretariat on the basis of the replies to the questionnaire on equipment which may be required on board vehicles.

(n) Information for road users

21. The Working Party may wish to examine a draft text for R.E.1 concerning information for road users (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2006/25) prepared by the representative of France and the secretariat.

(o) Measures to be taken to ensure the safety of children on their way to and from school

22. The Working Party may wish to examine a draft text for R.E.1 concerning the safety of children on their way to and from school (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2007/1) prepared by the secretariat.

(p) Special road infrastructure and installations

23. The Working Party may wish to examine a draft text for R.E.1 concerning special road infrastructure and installations (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2007/2) prepared by the secretariat.

Consolidated Resolution on Road Traffic (R.E.2)

(q) Signing for cycle routes

24. The Working Party will have before it document ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2006/24, which it may wish to examine if time allows.

Item 6 Preparation of the First United Nations Global Road Safety Week

25. The five United Nations regional commissions and the World Health Organization are jointly organizing the First United Nations Global Road Safety Week from 23-29 April 2007. It will be targeted at young road users including young drivers. The slogan selected for the Week is "Road safety is no accident".

26. The Week will be launched by a World Youth Assembly on Road Safety to be held in the Palais des Nations on 23 and 24 April 2006 and will be followed by a Stakeholder Forum on 25 April 2006. Members of WP.1 are invited to attend both events. Other global activities to take place during the Week include a memorial for victims of traffic crashes, a global short film competition and a road safety exhibition to be held in the Salle des Pas perdus.

27. All countries in the world have been asked by letter to nominate a youth delegate to the Assembly and to nominate a focal point at the national level to take responsibility for coordination regarding the Road Safety Week. A list of the national focal points appears at the following website: <http://www.unece.org/trans/globalroadsafetyweek/rsun1national.html>

28. In order to help countries to participate in the First United Nations Global Road Safety Week, a toolkit has been produced with information on the background of the Week, statistics on young road users and the road safety problems they face, and guidelines on how to prepare an event. This may be downloaded from the following website: <http://www.unece.org/trans/globalroadsafetyweek/rsun1toolkit.html>.

29. At the European Union level, the European Council of Ministers has decided to establish a European Road Safety Day. In 2007, this will be held on Friday 27 April during the Global Road Safety Week and an event will be organized in Brussels. Further information will be provided by the representative of the European Commission.

30. As with previous Weeks held at the European level the emphasis will be on promoting national and local events. Members are invited to inform the secretariat in writing and orally at the 51st session about the activities that will be undertaken in their countries during the First United Nations Global Road Safety Week. This information will be added to the website and will also appear in newsletters.

31. The Working Party will be informed about the work of the European Regional Organizing Committee for the First United Nations Global Road Safety Week set up by WP.1 (France, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Russian Federation, WHO, European Commission, PRI, FIA Foundation for the Automobile and Society, LaserEurope, secretariat).

32. As a contribution to the First United Nations Global Road Safety Week, the secretariat is preparing consolidated versions of the Vienna Conventions on Road Traffic and on Road Signs and Signals and the European Agreements supplementing them.

Item 7 Election of Officers of the Working Party

33. This item was inadvertently omitted from the agenda for the fiftieth session. The Working Party is expected to elect its Chairman and Vice-Chairmen for its sessions in 2007 and 2008.

Item 8 Other business

34. The Working Party may wish to discuss any other business under this agenda item.

35. If the proposal by WP.1 for an additional session is approved by the ITC, the 52nd session of the Working Party will be held from 3-6 July 2007.

Item 9 Adoption of decisions

36. The Working Party will adopt a list of decisions taken at its fifty-first session based on a draft to be prepared by the secretariat.
