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Proposal for a draft Regulation No. 48-H

Note: The documents mentioned below were prepared by the expert from the Netherlands and propose to introduce a draft Regulation 48-H (Harmonized). The proposal contains uniform provisions concerning the approval of vehicles, of categories M₁ and N₁, in length not exceeding 6,000 mm and in width not exceeding 2,000 mm, with regard to the installation of lighting and light-signalling devices.

A. PROPOSAL FOR DRAFT REGULATION No. 48-H

See documents: **Appendix 1** (full text of draft R.48-H)
Appendix 2 (full text of draft R.48-H, with track changes as from R.48-04)

B. EXPLANATION

The text of the proposal is based on an unofficial^(*) text of the 04 Series of Amendments of Regulation No. 48. Furthermore, the relevant elements from the draft gtr on installation of lighting and light-signalling devices (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRE/2006/49) are taken into account, hence also taking into account the relevant national legislations of the USA, Canada and Japan.

Appendix 1 contains the full text of the proposal for draft Regulation No. 48-H.

Appendix 2 contains the same proposal, however it also shows the changes made to the 04 Series of Amendments of Regulation No. 48, in order to derive the proposal for draft Regulation No. 48-H. The track changes should facilitate the studying of the proposal.

^(*) : At the time of drafting the proposal, the 04 Series of Amendments of Regulation No. 48 had not been officially notified or published. It was, however, already officially agreed during the 143rd session of WP.29 (November 2007).

C. JUSTIFICATION

During its 58th session, GRE agreed that the expert from the Netherlands would start to prepare a proposal for a draft Regulation No. 48-H. The scope would be limited to vehicles of category M₁ and N₁ having length ≤ 6 m and width ≤ 2 m (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRE/58, paragraph 4).

Draft Regulation No. 48-H is to be regarded as an intermediate step, in order to save the work on which consensus had been found, in the development of a gtr on installation of lighting and light-signalling devices.

In addition, detailed justification (at paragraph level) on the relevant changes made to R.48-04 is given in **Appendix 3**.

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