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(Braking)

Electronic Vehicle Stability Control system

Proposal for amendments to Regulation No. 13

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The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from the United Kingdom to clarify that a Vehicle Stability Function may be fitted to category N₁ voluntarily. The modifications to the existing text of the Regulation are marked in bold and strikethrough characters.

* In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2006-2010 (ECE/TRANS/166/Add.1, programme activity 02.4), the World Forum will develop, harmonize and update Regulations in order to enhance performance of vehicles. The present document is submitted in conformity with that mandate.

A. PROPOSAL

Annex 1

Insert a new paragraph 5.2.1.33., to read:

"5.2.1.33. Category N₁ vehicles having no more than 3 axles may be equipped with a vehicle stability function. If fitted, it shall include roll-over control and directional control and meet the technical requirements of Annex 21 to this Regulation."

B. JUSTIFICATION

The recent 11 series of amendments to Regulation No.13 requires on a mandatory basis that certain categories of M₂, M₃, N₂, N₃, O₃ and O₄ vehicles be equipped with a Vehicle Stability Function (VSF). However, although there was an understanding within GRRF that an N₁ could be fitted with a VSF voluntarily, it would appear that there is some confusion with the permissive requirement for N₁ vehicles which requires clarification. Therefore, the above proposed minor amendment should address any uncertainty.
