Proposal for amendments to Regulation No. 61
(External projections forward of the cab’s rear panel)

The modifications to the current text of the Regulation are marked in bold or strikethrough characters.

I. Proposal

Paragraph 4.3., amend to read:

"4.3. Notice of approval or of refusal or of withdrawal of approval of a vehicle type pursuant to this Regulation shall be communicated to the Parties to the Agreement which apply this Regulation, by means of a form conforming to the model in annex 1 to this Regulation and of drawings and photographs cited in paragraphs 3.2.1. and 3.2.2. supplied by the applicant for approval, in a format not exceeding A4 (210 x 297 mm) or folded to that format and on an appropriate scale."

Paragraph 7, to be replaced by:

"7. MODIFICATION OF VEHICLE TYPE

7.1. Every modification to an existing vehicle type shall be notified to the administrative department which approved the vehicle type. The administrative department shall then either

(a) Decide, in consultation with the manufacturer, that a new type-approval is to be granted, or

(b) Apply the procedure contained in paragraph 7.1.1. (Revision) and, if applicable, the procedure contained in paragraph 7.1.2. (Extension).

7.1.1. Revision

When particulars recorded in the information folder have changed and the administrative department considers that the modifications made are unlikely to have an appreciable adverse effect and that in any case the vehicle still complies with the requirements, the modification shall be designated a “revision”.

In such a case, the administrative department shall issue the revised pages of the information folder as necessary, marking each revised page to show clearly the nature of the modification and the date of re-issue. A consolidated, updated version of the information folder, accompanied by a detailed description of the modification, shall be deemed to meet this requirement.

7.1.2. Extension

The modification shall be designated an “extension” if, in addition to the change of the particulars recorded in the information folder,

(a) Further inspections or tests are required, or

(b) Any information on the communication document (with the exception of its attachments) has changed, or

(c) Approval to a later series of amendments is requested after its entry into force.

7.2. Confirmation or refusal of approval, specifying the alterations shall be communicated by the procedure specified in paragraph 4.3. above to the
Parties to the Agreement which apply this Regulation. In addition, the index to the information package, attached to the communication document, shall be amended accordingly to show the date of the most recent revision or extension.

*Paragraph 9.2.*, amend to read:

"9.2. If a Party to the Agreement applying this Regulation withdraws an approval it has previously granted, it shall forthwith notify the other Contracting Parties applying this Regulation, by means of a copy of the approval form bearing at the end, in large letters, the signed and dated annotation "APPROVAL WITHDRAWN" communication form conforming to the model in Annex 1 to this Regulation."

*Paragraph 10.*, amend to read:

"10. PRODUCTION DEFINITELY DISCONTINUED

If the holder of the approval completely ceases to manufacture a type of vehicle approved in accordance with this Regulation, he shall so inform the authority which granted the approval. Upon receiving the relevant communication, that authority shall inform thereof the other Parties to the Agreement applying this Regulation by means of a copy of the approval form bearing at the end, in large letters, the signed and dated annotation "PRODUCTION DISCONTINUED" communication form conforming to the model in Annex 1 to this Regulation."

*Annex 1*, amend to read:

"Annex 1

COMMUNICATION

(Maximum format: A4 (210 x 297 mm))

issued by: Name of administration:

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concerning: 2/ APPROVAL GRANTED

APPROVAL EXTENDED

APPROVAL REFUSED

APPROVAL WITHDRAWN

PRODUCTION DEFINITELY DISCONTINUED

of a vehicle type with regard its external projections, pursuant to Regulation No. 61

Approval number: Extension number:

1. Trade name or mark of the vehicle:

2. Vehicle type:
3. Manufacturer’s name and address:
4. If applicable, name and address of manufacturer’s representative:
5. Vehicle submitted for approval on:
6. Technical service responsible for conducting approval tests:
7. Date of report issued by that service:
8. Number of report issued by that service:
9. Approval: granted/extended/refused/withdrawn 2/
10. Position of approval mark on the vehicle:
11. Position of cab rear panel with reference to R point of the driver’s seat where applicable (see paragraph 2.5.):
12. Lower limit of the zone specified in paragraph 5.1.1:
13. Place:
14. Date:
15. Signature:
16. Photographs of the front, rear and side parts of the cab forward of the rear panel, bearing the approval number shown above, are annexed to this communication.

1/ Distinguishing number of the country which has granted/extended/refused/withdrawn approval (see approval provision in the Regulation.)
2/ Delete where not applicable."

II. Justification

The present text of Regulation No. 61 dates from 1984 and the Communication form does not have the possibilities to indicate extensions or withdrawals of approvals. It is necessary for the good administration of type approvals to update the communication form for this Regulation in such a way that extensions and withdrawals of approvals can be indicated. Consequently several administrative paragraphs have to be amended as well, which are based on the text of a more recent regulation, in this case Regulation No. 125. Furthermore the provisions of paragraph 7 on revisions and extensions have been aligned with the corresponding provisions of regulation 46 which would be the standard text for other regulations.