Proposal for amendments to UN Regulation No. 18 (Anti-theft)

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I. Proposal

Paragraph 1. (Scope), amend to read:

"1. Scope
   1.1. This Regulation applies to motor vehicles having at least three wheels with the exception of those of category M₁ and N₁ (¹), with regard to their protection against unauthorized use, if devices to prevent unauthorized use are fitted.
   1.2. Vehicles approved in accordance with the provisions of Part I of Regulation No. 116 are deemed to comply with this Regulation."

II. Justification

The current text of UN Regulation No. 18 causes compulsory equipment with devices to prevent unauthorized use for certain categories of vehicles.

Even though the benefit of these systems shall not be disregarded, it seems inappropriate to require this equipment taking into account that basically the idea of UN Regulation No. 18 was only to provide a harmonized regulation to ensure mutual recognition.

This proposal aims at introducing that possibility.