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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

Annotated provisional agenda for the sixty-eighth session**

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 2.30 p.m. on 12 September and concluding at 5.30 p.m. on 14 September 2018

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II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the agenda

In accordance with Chapter III, Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure (TRANS/WP.29/690, Amend.1 and Amend. 2) of the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29), the first item on the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2018/5

2. UN Regulation No. 9 (Noise of three-wheeled vehicles)

GRB is invited to consider amendment proposals submitted by the expert from the European Commission that introduce additional sound emission provisions (ASEP) for L₄ and L₅ category vehicles with the power-to-mass ratio (PMR) of more than 50 W/kg.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2018/7

3. UN Regulation No. 41 (Noise emissions of motorcycles): Development

GRB will consider amendment proposals prepared by the expert from the International Motorcycle Manufacturers Association (IMMA) that make ASEP testing mandatory.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2018/11

4. UN Regulation No. 51 (Noise of M and N categories of vehicles)

(a) Development

GRB will consider proposals by the Informal Working Group on Additional Sound Emission Provisions (IWG ASEP) with the aim to update and revise Supplement 4 to the 03 series of amendments to Regulation No. 51.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2018/10

(b) Additional sound emission provisions

IWG ASEP will report on its activities.

5. UN Regulation No. 92 (Replacement exhaust silencing systems for motorcycles)

GRB will consider a proposal for the 02 series of amendments to Regulation No. 92 submitted by the expert from Germany.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2018/6

6. UN Regulation No. 117 (Tyre rolling resistance, rolling noise and wet grip)

GRB will consider new proposals, if available. GRB may also wish to continue consideration of amending the limit values in Regulation No. 117.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/65, paras. 15-17

7. UN Regulation No. 138 (Quiet road transport vehicles)

The Informal Working Group (IWG) on the Quiet Road Transport Vehicles (QRTV) Global Technical Regulation (GTR) will report on its activities.

GRB may also wish to revert to the earlier proposals by the expert from OICA that clarify the application of the 01 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 138 and modify its transitional provisions.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2017/7, Informal document GRB-67-09

8. Draft UN Regulation on reversing alarm

GRB will be informed about the activities of the task force and the progress in the preparation of a new draft Regulation.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/65, para. 19

9. Collective amendments

GRB will consider new proposals, if available.

10. Exchange of information on national and international requirements on noise levels

GRB will continue the exchange of views on developing national or regional legislation and international requirements concerning noise levels.

11. Influence of road surface on tyre rolling sound emissions

GRB will consider a draft Resolution on road surface labelling prepared by the expert from the Netherlands.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2018/8, ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/2018/9

12. Proposals for amendments to the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles

GRB will consider new proposals, if any.

13. Development of the International Whole Vehicle Type Approval system and involvement of the Working Parties

GRB may wish to consider this matter in the light of the discussions at the March and June 2018 sessions of WP.29. In particular, GRB is requested to address a concern of IWG on International Whole Vehicle Type Approval (IWVTA) that the type approval

number, as prescribed in UN Regulation No. 117, does not fully correspond to Schedule 4 of the revised 1958 Agreement.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/1139, para. 69, and Informal document WP.29-175-13

14. Highlights of the March and June 2018 sessions of WP.29 and reorganization of its Working Parties

GRB will be briefed by the secretariat about the highlights of the recent sessions of WP.29 on GRB and common issues.

GRB will be informed that the Inland Transport Committee (ITC), at its session in February 2018, acknowledged the importance of WP.29 activities related to automated, autonomous and connected vehicles and requested WP.29 to consider establishing a dedicated subsidiary Working Party (Groupe de Rapporteurs - GR). Following this request, WP.29, at its June 2018 session, decided to convert the Working Party on Brakes and Running Gear (GRRF) into a new Working Party "Groupe de Rapporteurs pour les Véhicules Autonomes" (GRVA) and to reallocate some former GRRF activities to other Working Parties.

In particular, all GRRF activities on tyres were passed on to GRB, including UN GTR No. 16 and UN Regulations Nos.:

- 30 (Tyres for passenger cars and their trailers)
- 54 (Tyres for commercial vehicles and their trailers)
- 64 (Temporary use spare unit, run flat tyres, run flat-system and tyre pressure monitoring system)
- 75 (Motorcycle tyres)
- 106 (Tyres for agricultural vehicles)
- 108 (Retreaded tyres for passenger cars and their trailers)
- 109 (Retreaded tyres for commercial vehicles and their trailers)
- 117 (Tyres - Rolling resistance, rolling noise and wet grip) (whole Regulation)
- 124 (Replacement wheels for passenger cars)
- 141 (Tyre Pressure Monitoring Systems)
- 142 (Tyres installation)

The WP.29 programme of work was modified accordingly. In order to explicitly reflect the new GRB responsibilities on tyre-related issues WP.29 proposed adapting the title of GRB to GRBP (Groupe Rapporteur Bruit et Pneumatiques).

WP.29 agreed that GRVA should start functioning as soon as possible and would convene its first session in September 2018 by using the available GRRF calendar slot (25-

28 September 2018). To ensure a smooth transition of tyre-related activities to GRB, the Chairs of GRB and of the former GRRF held a meeting with the secretariat on the margins of the June 2018 session of WP.29. It was agreed that, as planned, tyre-related documents would be submitted under GRRF symbols to the September 2018 session of GRVA (former GRRF) within the official deadline for that meeting. However, instead of GRVA, these documents would be considered by GRB at its September 2018 session.

In due course, the secretariat will issue an addendum to the present agenda describing tyre-related documents and issues for consideration. The GRB Chair decided that the tyre-related part of the agenda would be addressed on the second day of the GRB session (13 September 2018).

15. Exchange of views on the future work of GRB

GRB may wish to resume its discussion on issues that should be included in the future work.

16. Other business

GRB may consider any other subjects, if necessary.

17. Provisional agenda for the sixty-ninth session

GRB is invited to provide guidance on the provisional agenda for the next session scheduled to be held in Geneva from 24 (starting at 2.30 p.m.) to 26 (concluding at 5.30 p.m.) January 2019.

18. Election of officers

In compliance with Rule 37 of the Rules of Procedure (TRANS/WP.29/690 and Amend.1), GRB will elect the Chair and Vice-Chair for the sessions scheduled for the year 2018.
