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DRAFT SUPPLEMENT 8 TO REGULATION No. 4

(Rear registration plates)

Note: The text reproduced below was adopted by the Administrative Committee (AC.1) of the amended 1958 Agreement at its eleventh session, following the recommendation by the Working Party at its one-hundred-and-seventeenth session. It is based on document TRANS/WP.29/1999/9, not amended (TRANS/WP.29/663, para. 113).

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Add a new paragraph 4.6.5., to read:

"4.6.5. The approval marking shall be clearly legible and indelible. It may be placed on an inner or outer part (transparent or not) of the device which cannot be separated from the transparent part of the

device emitting the light. In any case the marking shall be visible when the device is fitted on the vehicle or when a movable part such as the hood or boot lid or a door is opened."

Add a new paragraph 5.3. to read:

"5.3. For any rear registration plate illuminating device, except those equipped with filament lamp(s), the luminance values measured after one minute and after 30 minutes of operation shall comply with the minimum requirements.

The luminance distribution after one minute of operation can be calculated by applying at each test point the ratio of luminance values measured in one point after one minute and after 30 minutes of operation."

Insert a new paragraph 13., to read:

"13. TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

13.1. Rear registration plate illuminating devices not equipped with filament lamps.

13.1.1. As from the date of entry into force of Supplement 8, no Contracting Party applying this Regulation shall refuse to grant approvals under this Regulation as amended by Supplement 8.

13.1.2. As from 36 months after the date of entry into force of Supplement 8, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall grant approvals only if the type of devices as described in paragraph 13.1. above meets the requirements of this Regulation as amended by Supplement 8.

13.1.3. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall not refuse to grant extensions of approvals to the preceding series of amendments to this Regulation.

13.1.4. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall continue to grant approvals to those types of devices as described in paragraph 13.1. above which comply with the requirements of this Regulation as amended by the preceding series of amendments during the 36 months' period which follows the date of entry into force of Supplement 8.

13.2. Fitting of rear registration plate illuminating devices described in paragraph 13.1. above on a vehicle.

13.2.1. As from the date of entry into force of Supplement 8, no Contracting Party applying this Regulation shall prohibit the fitting on a vehicle of devices described in paragraph 13.1. above approved under this Regulation as amended by Supplement 8.

13.2.2. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall continue to allow the fitting on a vehicle of devices described in paragraph 13.1. above approved to this Regulation as amended by the preceding series of amendments during the 48 months' period which follows the date of entry into force of Supplement 8.

13.2.3. Upon the expiration of a period of 48 months after the date of

entry into force of Supplement 8, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation may prohibit the fitting of devices described in paragraph 13.1. above which do not meet the requirements of this Regulation as amended by Supplement 8 on a new vehicle for which type approval or individual approval was granted more than 24 months after the entry into force of Supplement 8 to this Regulation.

- 14.2.4. Upon expiration of a period of 60 months after the date of entry into force of Supplement 8, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation may prohibit the fitting of devices as described in paragraph 13.1. above which do not meet the requirements of this Regulation as amended by Supplement 8 on a new vehicle first registered more than 60 months after the date of entry into force of Supplement 8 to this Regulation."

Paragraph 13. (former), renumber as paragraph 14.

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