Concerning Proposed Terms and Definitions for Replacement Parts

Transmitted by the representative of the Russian Federation

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The Russian Federation supports the OICA point of view in regards to unification of definitions of replacement parts, which are distinguished by supply feature: either under or outside vehicle manufacturer’s supervision.

For provision access to the market only for qualitative and safe replacement parts, the requirements of ECE Regulations Nos. 59 (Replacement Silencing Systems), 90 (Replacement Braking Pads), 103 (Replacement Catalytic Converters) must be applied to the replacement parts, which are designated by the OICA to the second group.

The definitions proposed by the OICA may be used as a basis. However, the Russian Federation wishes to introduce certain details into the definitions, which reflect such specific feature of the Russian market as operations of the companies not authorized by the manufacturer of vehicle of approved type, but offering after-sale maintenance, and even replacement parts for sale.

With respect to the above-mentioned, the following definitions are proposed:

1. “Original equipment part” means a part, which is supplied by a manufacturer (for production use or for subsequent maintenance at authorized by a vehicle manufacturer service station) for a vehicle type.

   In regards to the part of the definition proposed by OICA “…and documented in system type approval(s) granted to that vehicle type under relevant Regulation(s)”:
   The Russian Federation could agree with this phrase, if there would be a confirmation of a necessity of inclusion into the technical information package of an approved vehicle type the information concerning replacement parts that might be introduced after completion homologation process of a whole vehicle.

2. “Replacement part” means any part supplied for sale on the market for fitment to a vehicle type, which is not an “original equipment part” as defined above.