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PROPOSAL FOR DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION No. 48

(Installation of lighting and light-signalling devices)

<u>Transmitted by the expert from the</u> <u>International Organization of Motor Vehicle Manufacturers (OICA)</u>

Note: The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from OICA to amend in the Regulation the provisions to allow the concealment of rear fog lamp. The amendment is based on the text of a document without a symbol (informal document No. 13), distributed during the fiftieth session of GRE (see report TRANS/WP.29/GRE/50, para. 19). The new proposed text is shown in **bold** characters.

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A. PROPOSAL

Paragraph 5.14.1., amend to read:

"5.14.1. The concealment of lamps shall be prohibited, with the exception of the main-beam headlamps, the dipped-beam headlamps, the front fog lamps and the rear fog lamps, which may be concealed when they are not in use."

Paragraph 5.14.5., amend to read:

"5.14.5. When the concealment device has a temperature of –30°C to + 50°C the headlamps lamps must be capable of reaching the position of use within three seconds of initial operation of the control."

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B. JUSTIFICATION

Rear fog lamps are used only in special cases and do not need to produce a signal immediately after switching them on. The safety performances are preserved with an activation delay of maximum 3 seconds after initial operation.