The 3rd Meeting of Informal Group on ITS

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Role and Position (Draft) ITS Informal Group:

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1. Role

- 1) term; Preparation of round tables
- 2) Middle term; Study on how to deal with ITS at WP29, including how the organization should be. Short

2. Definition

- 1) Definition of ITS to be discussed at WP29;
 - "Systems that advise, assist, and/or substitute the driver with the purpose of vehicle functions and performance in driving"
- 2) So, ITS here means only so-called in-vehicle ITS or IVS. Traffic side systems will basically be excluded.
- 3) As for the system that utilizes information picked up from traffic, however, vehicle side system will be included.
- 4) The definition in 1) above may be classified into subcategories. For example, following subcategories have been proposed:
 - a) Systems that provide drivers with information
 - b) Control systems that support drivers
 - c) Control systems that substitute drivers

3. Position

- 1) The introduction of ITS into market shall not be hindered as far as there are no major problems on safety.
- 2) For encouraging dissemination of ITS, role of governments in the area of safety should be further studied.
- 3) It is preferable to get a common understanding on the role of governments among contracting parties.
- 4) If current regulations are holding back ITS from market, countermeasures should be studied.
- 5) In studying the role of governments, other means than regulations on vehicle construction should be considered (ex. civil law, industry's guidelines)
- 6) In the current framework of GRs, some technical issues on ITS can be dealt by more than one GR or cannot be discussed at any of the existing GRs.
- 7) In particular, it's important to deal with the issues from a view point of HMI.