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PROPOSAL FOR DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION No. 14 (ISOFIX anchorages)

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The modifications to the current text of the Regulation are marked in **bold** characters or marked as strikethrough.

A. PROPOSAL

Paragraph 5.3.8.3., amend to read:

"5.3.8.3. Notwithstanding paragraph 5.3.8.1. at least one of the two ISOFIX positions systems shall be installed at the second seat row. This does not apply to vehicles which because of the configuration of the seat assembly disallow the determination of the "H" point by the installation of the 3-D H machine."

B. JUSTIFICATION

The second seat row of some vehicles is not wide enough or long enough to accommodate child restraint systems. The interior configuration of some sports cars, often referred to as a 2+2-seat, or pickup trucks with extended cabin, often referred to as super cab pickups, have small back seats that are really only suitable for luggage, occasional passengers or small persons. Unless these vehicles are suitable for the installation of child restraint systems a provision of ISOFIX positions becomes redundant.

In the absence of a definition for this vehicle configuration within the legal framework of the ECE the decision whether ISOFIX positions are required is made up by the feasibility of the installation of the 3-D H machine as it is described in the footnote in Annex of ECE-R17.
