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PROPOSAL FOR DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION No. 98
(Headlamps with gas-discharge light sources)

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Note: The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from GTB in order to remove the provision concerning user's interference in devices, incorporated in headlamps.
A. PROPOSAL

Part B,

Paragraph 5.4.4., should be deleted.

B. JUSTIFICATION

Paragraph 5.4. addresses the requirements for mechanical, electro-mechanical or other devices incorporated in the headlamp to produce alternately a driving/passing beam or a passing beam and/or a driving beam to become a bend lighting.

According to paragraph 5.4.4., the device must be so constructed that the user cannot, with ordinary tools, change the shape or position of the moving parts. After a review of this provision, Technical Services represented in GTB Working Group Photometry have come to the conclusion that it is not applicable in practice: there is no definite test procedure and the headlamp would have to be destroyed for the test.

As there have been no adverse consequences from not performing such tests, the provision could be deleted without negative effects for safety.