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Under this agenda item, the Working Party may also wish to consider amendment proposals to Annex 3 to the TIR Convention, prepared by the European Union (ECE/TRANS/WP.30/2010/12). These proposals aim at resolving practical problems in using Certificates of Approval when Customs authorities find an approved vehicle to have a major defect and make an appropriate endorsement in item No. 10 of the Certificate of Approval. As the space reserved for the text is rather limited, the defect is not always properly described. In addition, the Customs authorities use their own national language and handwriting to report a defect. As a result, the carrier or competent authorities in another Contracting Party may not be able to read what part or place of the load compartment the reported defect in question refers to. To improve the situation, the European Union proposes to introduce a uniform system of codes to record a defect in the Certificate of Approval.

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