Dear Mr. Jerie,

Subject: Tyre/Road Noise

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ETRTO requests to revise in Annex 2 the examples of 'arrangements of approval marks' (three times) in order to delete 'XXX R-' in front of the approval number for the following reasons:

1. The examples in the annex should conform to the text in item 5.4.2 where it is specified that only the type approval number followed by the letter '-s' shall be placed close to the circle. The form of 'communication' in Annex 1 refer to the number of Regulation (XXX) only in the title and does not repeat it underneath where it is to be specified the 'Approval No.?

2. The suffix marking ('-s'), which shall be stamped in any case, will permit to identify that approval number as related to the given regulation without any possibility of confusion with other regulations. Marking as in the example 'XXX R-' will be nothing else than a repetition and therefore a redundant specification.

3. The approval number, as proposed by ETRTO, will appear with the same exact format as already prescribed by Directive 2001/43; therefore there is no need for GRB to reconsider the correction.

4. There will be more space left around the approval mark to permit the foreseen additional approval marking for other subjects such as wet-grip or rolling resistance already under consideration by GRRF.

Yours sincerely,

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Note by the secretariat: The current text of annex 2 is attached (conforming to documents TRANS/WP.29/2002/7/Rev.1 and TRANS/WP.29/2002/7/Rev.1/Corr.1), with the modifications requested by ETRTO marked (pages 2 and 3 of this informal document). The text that, in view of the secretariat, should be inserted in the captions below the examples of type approval marks is marked in **bold type**.
Annex 2

ARRANGEMENT OF APPROVAL MARKS

Example 1

The above approval mark, affixed to a pneumatic tyre shows that the tyre concerned has been approved in the Netherlands (E4) pursuant to Regulation No. XXX (marked by "-S" only), under approval number 001234. The first two digits of the approval number (00) indicate that the approval was granted according to the requirements of this Regulation in its original form.

Example 2

The above approval mark shows that the tyre concerned has been approved in the Netherlands (E4) pursuant to Regulations Nos. XXX (marked by "-S" only) and 30. The first two digits of the approval numbers indicate that, at the dates when the respective approvals were granted, Regulation No. XXX was still in its original form, but Regulation No. 30 included the 02 series of amendments.
Example 3

The above approval mark shows that the tyre concerned has been approved in the Netherlands (E4) pursuant to Regulations Nos. XXX (marked by "-S" only) and 54. The first two digits of the approval numbers indicate that, at the dates when the respective approvals were granted, Regulations Nos. XXX and 54 were still in its original form.

Note: The approval number(s) must be placed close to the circle and either above or below the "E" or on the left or right of that letter. The digits of the approval number must be on the same side of the "E" and face in the same direction. The use of Roman numerals as approval numbers should be avoided so as to prevent any confusion with other symbols.