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.