PROPOSED CLARIFICATION TO THE MINUTES OF THE 35th GRSP SESSION (3-7 MAY 2004) – TRANS/WP29/GRSP/35

Transmitted by the experts from OICA and CLEPA

OICA and CLEPA believe that the official minutes of the 35th GRSP session, held in May 2004, need some clarifications, especially as regards paragraphs 4 and 5.

The current text for these paragraphs indeed may lead to misunderstanding and do not fully reflect the exact outcome of the meeting, as recollected by many participating experts.

OICA and CLEPA consequently propose to replace Paragraphs 4 and 5 of TRANS/WP.29/GRSP/35 by the following text:

"4. The expert from CLEPA gave a presentation on child restraints exposed to side impact crash tests (informal document No. GRSP-35-19). He presented a comparison of the rigid and flexible lower anchorages systems and discussed ease of use. All experts were requested to carefully study the concerns expressed by CLEPA regarding the potential deterioration in side impact and misuse avoidance performance with flexible lower anchorages systems. In particular, the expert from the United States of America undertook to provide information on the ongoing US study on child protection in a side impact.

5. GRSP did not review the data presented by the expert from the United States of America at the thirty-fourth session of GRSP, regarding the reasons and details for the 15 kN tether anchorage force, compared to the 8 kN tether anchorage force required in the UNECE regulation. The discussion on the development of this gtr will be resumed at the next session, taking into account the comparison already made by the delegate from the United States of America between the requirements of Regulations Nos. 14, 16 and 44 and the standards of his country and Canada (informal document No. 12 of the thirty-fourth session which will be distributed with an official symbol)."