NEW AGENDA ITEMS

Regulation No. 104
(Retro-reflective markings)

Proposal for draft Corrigendum 1 to Supplement 4 to Regulation No. 104

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The text reproduced below was prepared by the experts from Switzerland and the Working Party "Brussels 1952" (GTB) in order to re-insert into the Regulation the definition of distinctive markings/graphics as well as insert a new reference to the definitions of Regulation No. 48. The modifications to the existing text of the Regulation (up to Supplement 4 to the original version) are marked in bold characters.

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A. PROPOSAL

Insert new paragraphs 2.1.2. and 2.1.3., to read:

"2.1.2. "Distinctive markings, graphics" mean coloured markings, whose coefficient of retro-reflection is as defined in paragraphs 7.2.1. and 7.2.2. below.

2.1.3. The definitions given in Regulation No. 48 and its series of amendments in force at the time of application for type approval shall apply to this Regulation."

Paragraph 7.2., footnote 3/, amend to read:

"3/ Nothing in this …. as defined in paragraph 2.1.2. of this Regulation."

B. JUSTIFICATION

At its fifty-sixth session, GRE adopted the proposals by Germany and the European Association of Automobile Suppliers (CLEPA) for amendments to Regulation No. 104 (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRE/56, para. 45 and Annex 3). These amendments were adopted by the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29) and the Administrative Committee (AC.1) at their November 2006 sessions as Supplement 4 to Regulation No. 104 (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2006/95). These amendments also included the deletion of paragraphs 2.1.1., 2.1.2. and 2.1.3. (definitions) as these definitions were considered to be covered by the 03 series of amendments to Regulation No. 48, introducing provisions regarding the installation of conspicuity markings.

The experts from Switzerland and GTB are of the opinion that it is necessary to re-instate into Regulation No. 104 the former paragraph 2.1.3. as the term "distinctive markings, graphics" is used several times in the text of the Regulation and, therefore, a definition should be available for practical application of the relevant requirements.