Proposal for a mandate to amend UN gtr No 5 (OBD)

I. Proposal

1. The Executive Committee of the 1998 Agreement (AC.3) is requested to consider giving a mandate to GRPE to propose amendments to the OBD gtr No 5 as outlined below in accordance with paragraph 6.4 of the 1998 Agreement.

II. Justification

2. The UN global technical regulation (gtr) No. 5 on worldwide harmonized requirements for on-board diagnostic systems (WWH-OBD) has been transposed into European Regulation and is applicable according to the European Regulation (EC) No 595/2009 for Heavy Duty vehicles (Euro VI). During the preparation of the EC Regulation the experts from EC have identified some items of concern were amendments or clarifications should be made to the gtr text. The identified concerns are outlined in document ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRPE/2011/15, which contains a concrete proposal to develop amendments and a justification for the amendments.

3. If AC.3 agrees with the development of amendments to UN gtr No. 5, the European Union volunteers to, based on the above-mentioned document presented to the sixty-second session of GRPE, work together with interested Contracting Parties with the objective to present a proposal for amending UN gtr No 5 for the sixty-third session of GRPE in January 2012.