UN ECE Regulation No. 107 6th meeting of the GRSG Informal Group on Service Doors, Windows and Emergency Exits of buses and coaches

7-8 September 2011 Instytut Transportu Samochodowego (Motor Transport Institute) Warsaw, Poland

DRAFT AGENDA

Schedule: 7 September: 09:00 am to 06:00 pm

8 September: 09:00 am to 01:30 pm at the latest

1. Welcome by the Chair

2. Approval of the minutes of the 5th meeting

Document: SDWEE -05-06 (Secretariat)

3. Adoption of the Agenda

Document: SDWEE-06-01 (Secretariat)

4. Corner stone questions

Document: SDWEE-02-07-Rev.3 (Secretariat)

a. Laminated vs. toughened glass

Background:

- Laminated glass addresses keeping the passengers in the vehicle a the time of accident
- > Toughened glass addresses easy escape from the vehicle in case of e.g. fire or service doors out of service
- > The informal group abandoned the idea of improving the performances of the emergency exits and decreasing their mandatory quantity
- ➤ The informal group cannot provide GRSG with recommendations about side windows (reference to a "balance of probabilities")

The informal group may wish to review the outcome of the last meeting.

b. Emergency exit requirements to be re-written from scratch or simply amended

Background:

- No discussion was held at the 4th meeting on this subject.
- The Editorial Task Force made the choice to simply amend the existing paragraphs.
- ➤ Germany questioned in their email dated 11 February 2011 "why the proposal contains that much text which was left unchanged".

This item was not discussed by the informal group at its 5th meeting. However the outcomes of the group to date indicate a tendency to amend the existing provisions.

5. Revision of working documents

Documents: SDWEE-02-07-Rev.3 (Secretariat)

GRSG-100-09 (SDWEE informal group)

Background:

- > SDWEE-02-07-Rev.3 divided in 2 parts:
 - The 1st part is already in the format of an official document as the items contained in it were discussed in depth by the informal group;
 - The 2nd part is in the format of a table with 2 columns, for permitting further exchange of view.
- ➤ GRSG-100-09: intermediate proposal for amendments to the Regulation N°107.

a. Safety signs

Document: SDWEE-05-02 (Mr. McKenzie)

SDWEE task:

- Relevant provisions are still to be added in a new paragraph 7.19
- ➤ Mr. McKenzie to produce a proposal defining a pictogram for each of the four types of emergency, in addition to some provisions for minimal dimensions of the emergency exit windows and some indication of the exits which are addressed by the provisions

b. power-operated service door emergency controls

Document: SDWEE-06-02 (Spain)

Background:

- Principle of a mandatory rotary control adopted
- > No mandatory direction of movement
- ➤ Direction of movement to be indicated adjacent to the control by appropriate signage
- ➤ Document SDWEE-06-02 however questions the decision of one harmonized movement

SDWEE task:

- ➤ Confirm the decision of SDWEE-05 relative to a harmonized, rotary movement
- Relevancy of the value of 2 Nm to be confirmed
- > Dimensions of the control to be decided
- 6. Other business
- 7. List of action items
- 8. Date and place of next meetings

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