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**1958 Agreement – Consideration of draft amendments
to existing Regulations submitted by GRSP**

Proposal for Supplement 2 to the 08 series of amendments to Regulation No. 17 (Strength of seats)

Submitted by the Working Party on Passive Safety*

The text reproduced below was adopted by the Working Party on Passive Safety (GRSP) at its fifty-third session (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRSP/53, para. 26). It is based on ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRSP/2013/5 as amended by Annex V to the report. It is submitted to the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29) and to the Administrative Committee AC.1 for consideration.

* In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2010–2014 (ECE/TRANS/208, para. 106 and ECE/TRANS/2010/8, programme activity 02.4), the World Forum will develop, harmonize and update regulations in order to enhance the performance of vehicles. The present document is submitted in conformity with that mandate.

Paragraph 2.9., amend to read:

"2.9. "Folding seat" means a seat, which is normally folded, can be easily operated and is designed for occasional use by an occupant."

Paragraph 5.2.1., amend to read:

"5.2.1. Every adjustment and displacement system provided shall incorporate a locking system, which shall operate automatically.

Locking systems for armrests or other comfort devices are not necessary unless the presence of such devices will cause additional risk of injury to the occupants of a vehicle in the event of a collision.

Folding seats shall lock automatically in the position of use by occupants."

Paragraph 5.3.4., amend to read:

"5.3.4. All seats which can be tipped forward or have fold-on backs and folding seats shall lock automatically in the position of use by occupants.

These requirements do not apply to folding seats fitted in wheelchair spaces or areas for standing passengers of vehicles of category M₂ or M₃ of Class I, II or A and folding seat(s) fitted in the access passages of vehicles of category M₂ or M₃."

Insert a new paragraph 6.1.4., to read:

"6.1.4. Folding seats shall be tested in the position of use by occupants."
