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Consolidated Resolution on Road Signs and Signals (R.E.2):
Secure Parking Areas

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(Revised)*

Submitted by the Governments of Austria, Italy and Spain

1. At the seventieth session of the Working Party on Road Traffic Safety (WP.1), it was agreed that the Governments of Austria, Italy and Spain revise the amendment proposal submitted by Belgium in 2012 (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2012/9). The document proposes amending the Consolidated Resolution on Road Signs and Signals (R.E.2) by including a new road sign to indicate the presence of a secure parking area as well as its level of security and comfort.

* This document was submitted late due to resource constraints.
1.15 Signing of secure parking areas for trucks

1.15.1 Context

2. Different road signs are emerging all over the globe to indicate where a secured truck parking area is located, and which level of security and comfort this parking offers. It is of outmost importance that the driver, certainly long haulage, is not confronted with a multiple number of different road signs that all represent, in the end, the same.

3. Comfort and security are important in regard to road safety a good night rest without having to worry about personal security or the integrity of the cargo, as well as a certain level of comfort in regard to food, beverages and overall hygiene, are crucial towards the drivers alertness and hence road safety in general.

1.15.2 Definition

4. The symbol of a lock indicates the security level of a certain parking area, and the symbol of a star indicates the comfort level of a certain parking area.

1.15.3 Recommendations

1.15.3.1 Identification

5. If there is a dedicated parking area for trucks, two new symbols could be used: locks and stars (cf. Annex) indicating respectively the security level and the comfort level. The number of stars and locks on the road sign varies from zero to five. The more locks, the higher the security level. The more stars, the higher the comfort level. The symbols stating its level of security and comfort can be combined with symbols indicating the presence of a truck parking area.

6. The enumeration of the measures for each of both categories ‘security’ and ‘comfort’ are out of scope within this recommendation. This recommendation solely aims to identify which symbols are to be used to indicate the level of security and comfort in regard to secured truck parking areas. Countries that wish to comply themselves with the set of standards used by the International Road Transport Union (IRU), can find more information about these standards on the IRU website (http://www.iru.org).

1.15.3.2 Placement

7. This system applies to parking areas where trucks are able to park. It does not apply to parking areas where trucks are not able or are not allowed to park.

8. The symbols can be used within a road sign, on an additional panel or on a sign placed at the entrance of the parking area.

9. If the symbols are used within a road sign itself, then the appropriate colour combination is the following: a blue background with white symbols or a white background with black symbols.

10. If the symbols of the locks and stars are put on an additional panel, then the appropriate colour combination is the following: a white background with black symbols or a blue background with white symbols.
Annex

1. The symbols below can be combined with the existing symbols ‘P’ (indication of a parking area) and the symbol of a truck, to indicate the presence of a truck parking area and its level of security and comfort.

2. The number of stars and locks on the road sign varies from zero to five. The more locks, the higher the security level. The more stars, the higher the comfort level.

3. The colours are to be chosen according to regulations as set out in 1.15.3.1.