Proposal to amend document ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/18

(Draft 03 series to Regulation No. 118)

I. Proposal

Add new paragraphs 12.11. to 12.14. 12.16. (Transitional provisions), to read:

"12.11. As from the official date of entry into force of the 03 series of amendments, no Contracting Parties applying this UN Regulation shall refuse to grant approval or refuse to accept UN type-approvals under this UN Regulation as amended by the 03 series of amendment.

12.12. As from 1 September 2019, Contracting Parties applying this UN Regulation shall grant approvals only if the vehicle type or component type to be approved meet the requirements of this Regulation as amended by the 03 series of amendments, not be obliged to accept UN type-approvals to the preceding series of amendments, first issued after 1 September 2019.

12.13. Until 1 September 2021, Contracting Parties applying this UN Regulation shall accept UN type-approvals to the preceding series of amendments, first issued before 1 September 2019.

12.14. As from 1 September 2021, Contracting Parties applying this UN Regulation may refuse first national registration (first entry into service) of a vehicle which does not meet the requirements of this Regulation as amended by the 03 series of amendments shall not be obliged to accept type-approvals issued to the preceding series of amendments to this Regulation.

12.15. Even after the date of entry into force of the 03 series of amendments, approvals of the components to the preceding series of amendments to the Regulation shall remain valid and Contracting Parties applying the Regulation shall continue to accept them. Notwithstanding paragraph 12.14, Contracting Parties applying the UN Regulation shall continue to accept UN type-approvals of the components, issued according to the preceding series of amendments to the UN Regulation, which are not affected by the 03 series of amendments.

12.16. Contracting Parties applying this UN Regulation shall not refuse to grant UN type-approvals according to any preceding series of amendments to this UN Regulation or extensions thereof."

II. Justification

The transitional provisions included in the proposal ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/18 are still based on the "old" format, included in the existing guidelines for regulatory and administrative procedures (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/1044/Rev.1). In view of Revision 3 to the 58 Agreement, expected to come into force in September 2017, these guidelines are being revised (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/53, submitted to the March 2017 session of WP.29). OICA therefore suggests revising the transitional provisions in accordance with the new guidelines.

Furthermore, with regard to Paragraph 12.16 above (based on Paragraph V.9 of document ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/53), the IWVTA Sub Group on the 58 Agreement, at its 23rd
meeting of 10 March 2017, noted a potential for misinterpretation and therefore suggested a minor correction to Paragraph V.9 of document ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2017/53, and this correction has now been taken over in informal document WP.29-171-05-Rev.1.