Proposal for amendments to the 08 series of amendments of Regulation No. 17 – SEATS, THEIR ANCHORAGES AND ANY HEAD RESTRAINTS

The text reproduced below has been prepared by the expert from Germany to amend the scope. The modifications to the current text of the Regulation are marked in bold for new or strikethrough for deleted characters.

I. Proposal

Scope, amend to read:

"This Regulation applies to:

(a) Vehicles of categories M1 and N 1) with regard to the strength of seats and their anchorages and with regard to their head restraints;

(b) Vehicles of categories M2 and M3 1) with regard to seats not covered by Regulation No. 80, in respect of the strength of seats and their anchorages, and in respect of their head restraints;

(c) Vehicles of category M1 with regard to the design of the rear parts of seat backs and the design of devices intended to protect the occupants from the danger resulting from the displacement of luggage in a frontal impact.

It does not apply to vehicles with regard to side-facing or rearward-facing seats, or to any head restraint fitted to these seats.

It may be applied, on the request of the manufacturer, with regard to side-facing seats to vehicles of category M2 and M3 of classes A and I, subject to the provisions of Paragraph 5.1.1."

II. Justification

Clarification with regard to the possibility to install side-facing seats in buses of certain classes of vehicles.