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# Proposal for a Supplement to the 01 series of Amendments to UN Regulation No. 55 (Mechanical couplings)

#### Submitted by the expert from Poland\*\*

The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from Poland, introducing an editorial amendment to the UN Regulation No. 55, based on GRRF-86-34, clarifying the text of the Regulation. The modifications to the existing text of the Regulation are marked in bold for new and strikethrough for deleted characters.

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 $<sup>\</sup>begin{tabular}{ll} * & Formerly: Working Party on Brakes and Running Gear (GRRF). \end{tabular}$ 

<sup>\*\*</sup> In accordance with ECE/TRANS/274, para 52, with ECE/TRANS/WP.29/1139, para. 33 and with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2014–2018 (ECE/TRANS/240, para. 105 and ECE/TRANS/2014/26, 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.

## I. Proposal

Annex 1,

Item 9.3., amend to read:

"9.3. For class A mechanical coupling device or components, including towing brackets, **if applicable**:

... "

## II. Justification

- 1. The Regulation requires to fill in item 9.3. if mechanical coupling devices and components class A are going to be approved. In the case of a coupling ball approval as a component only, this component is not dedicated for a specific vehicle. The requirement to fill in item 9.3. in case of component seems confusing as approved coupling ball shall be treated universally and can be used in different vehicles.
- 2. This proposal suggests filling in item 9.3. only in case of approval of completed mechanical coupling device. Therefore, it is proposed to amend the sentence and add ", if applicable".

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