Proposal for Supplement 12 to the 06 series of amendments, for Supplement 5 to the 07 series of amendments and for Supplement 1 to the 08 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 16 (Safety-belts)

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The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from the European Association of Automotive Suppliers (CLEPA) to clarify which modification of the vehicle type or the belt or restraint system shall be notified to the Type Approval Authority under UN Regulation No.16. The modifications to the current text of the UN Regulation are marked in bold for new or strikethrough for deleted characters.

* In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2018–2019 (ECE/TRANS/274, para. 123 and ECE/TRANS/2018/21/Add.1, Cluster 3.1), the World Forum will develop, harmonize and update UN regulations to enhance the performance of vehicles. The present document is submitted in conformity with that mandate.
I. Proposal

Paragraph 11.1., amend to read:

"11.1. Every modification of the vehicle type or the belt or restraint system or both which affects its technical performance and/or documentation as required in this UN Regulation shall be notified to the Type Approval Authority which approved the vehicle type or safety-belt or restraint system type. The Authority may then either:"

II. Justification

1. This amendment makes clear that modifications shall only be notified when they have an influence on the performance and/or the documentation required by the UN Regulation.

2. To reduce the administrative burden to all stakeholders, modifications without any influence on a function affecting the fulfilment of the technical requirements of UN Regulation No. 16 do not need to be notified to the Type Approval Authority.