Proposal for Supplement 3 to the 08 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 107 (M2 and M3 vehicles)

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* In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2020 as outlined in proposed programme budget for 2020 (A/74/6 (part V sect. 20) para 20.37), the World Forum will develop, harmonize and update UN Regulations in order to enhance the performance of vehicles. The present document is submitted in conformity with that mandate.
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Annex 3 Paragraph 7.6.2.8. amend to read:

"7.6.2.8. For vehicles of classes I, II and III, required escape hatches shall be positioned as follows:

(a) If there is only one hatch, it shall be situated in the middle third of the passenger compartment; or

(b) If there are two hatches, they shall be separated by a distance of at least 2 m measured between the nearest edges of the apertures in a line parallel to the longitudinal axis of the vehicle."

Insert a new Paragraph 7.6.2.9. to read:

"7.6.2.9. For vehicles of classes A and B, required escape hatches shall be positioned as follows:

(a) If there is only one hatch, it shall be situated in the middle third of the passenger compartment. As an alternative, on vehicles with a very short passenger compartment length, the hatch may be located in the mid-section of this compartment, and this mid-section shall be equally spaced longitudinally each side of the transverse centre line of the passenger compartment, with a length of no greater than 1.6m as shown in Annex 4, Figure 31;

(b) If there are two hatches, they shall be separated by a distance of at least 2 m measured between the nearest edges of the apertures in a line parallel to the longitudinal axis of the vehicle."

Annex 4, after Figure 30 insert:

"Figure 31
Alternative placement of escape hatch for very short passenger compartment length having a middle third smaller than 1600 mm
(See Annex 3, paragraph 7.6.2.9.)

(All dimensions in mm)"