Proposal for amendments to the 02 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 30 proposal, submitted by the experts from France to the 72nd GRBP session (document ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRBP/2020/21)

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Proposal for a Supplement to the 02 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 30

Submitted by the experts from France

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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.
I. Proposal

Paragraph 2.9.3., amend to read:

"2.9.3. "Radial" or "radial-ply" describes tyre structure in which the ply cords extend to the beads and are laid substantially at 90° to the centre line of the tread, the carcass being stabilized by an essentially inextensible circumferential belt in a zone including most of the side wall and outside the bead and the essentially inextensible circumferential belt that stabilizes the carcass;"

Justification: It is proposed to clarify in the amended radial tyre definition the common points with the currently applicable definition, so that both state-of-the-art and potentially innovative features of a radial structure are included in this amended definition.

II. Justification

1. France proposes to enlarge and enrich the current definition of a radial structure while ensuring the radial tyres key features (mechanical decoupling between the tread and the bead).

2. This will allow new potentially innovative features that do not strictly meet the current definition of a radial tyre structure but could provide significant improvement in safety and/or environmental performances.