Proposals in regards to format of Global Technical Regulations (GTR)

Transmitted by the representative of the Russian Federation

Note: The proposals of the Russian Federation have been prepared in the framework of consideration of the document “Proposed Format for Global Technical Regulations (GTR)” (TRANS/WP.29/2002/25). Those proposals are harmonized with the proposals of the United Kingdom in regards to enforcement of type approval and conformity of production standards presented at the 77th Session of the WP.29/AC.2 on 5 November 2001 (document TRANS/WP.29/2002/28) and proposals of the Russian Federation prepared upon consideration of that document and presented at the current Session of WP.29 (informal document No. 8).

The Russian Federation supports the aspiration of the United States in achieving uniformity in developing GTR and agrees with the United States proposed format for GTR.

To the opinion of the Russian Federation, the more that 40-year experience of development of 113 ECE Regulations should be taken into account also.

Below there are proposals in regards to development of the format of GTR.

1. According to practice, Regulations may be very complicated in terms of number and variety of technical specifications and test procedures, which are related to the same object of rulemaking, for example, ECE Regulations No. 13 (Braking performance). For such complicated Regulations, perhaps, all auxiliary information can be located in the annexes with proper references in the main text of GTR.

2. In the proposed by the United States format of GTR, the clause “Transitional Provisions” is missed. To the opinion of the Russian Federation, this clause should be included into the GTR format, and it should contain the following information:

The technical specifications of alternative stringency level and recommendations for application of those (for example, for the vehicles starting from the certain model year);

Upon further revision of GTR – dates of entering into force of next stringency level requirements.

3. Include into GTR a separate annex “Prescriptions concerning official approval of a design type with respect to the present GTR” to be applied by the Contracting Parties to the 1958 Geneva Agreement. This annex shall incorporate the following paragraphs:

Application for official approval of a design type.
The order of official approval of a design type.
The form of the test report.
Arrangements of approval marks.
Extension of official approval in case of modification of a design type.
Inspection of conformity of production.
Penalties for non-conformity of production.
The order of actions in case of decision of a competent authority on product recall.
Production definitely discontinued.
The form of communication concerning the official approval or extension or refusal or withdrawal of approval, decision on product recall, production definitely discontinued.

4. Include into GTR a separate annex “Prescriptions concerning declaration of conformity of a design type with respect to the present GTR” to be applied by the Contracting Parties, which apply self-certification procedures. This annex shall incorporate the following paragraphs:

The form of the declaration of conformity.
The form of the test report.
Arrangements of conformity marks.