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LEGISLATIVE ACTS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS

Subject: COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union within the relevant Committees of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe regarding the adaptation to technical progress of UNECE Regulations Nos 13, 13H, 16, 29, 44, 53, 79, 94, 95, 96, 117 and 130, and regarding the adoption of a proposal for a UNECE Global Technical Regulation on hydrogen and fuel cell vehicles and the adaptation to technical progress of UNECE Global Technical Regulations Nos 2 and 12 COMMON GUIDELINES Consultation deadline for Croatia: 12.6.2013

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 114, in conjunction with Article 218(9) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

- By Council Decision 97/836/EC¹ of 27 November 1997 the Union acceded to the Agreement of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe ("UNECE") concerning the adoption of uniform technical prescriptions for wheeled vehicles, equipment and parts which can be fitted to and/or be used on wheeled vehicles and the conditions for reciprocal recognition of approvals granted on the basis of these prescriptions ("Revised 1958 Agreement").
- (2) By Decision 2000/125/EC² of 31 January 2000 the Union acceded to the Agreement concerning the establishing of global technical regulations for wheeled vehicles, equipment and parts which can be fitted and/or be used on wheeled vehicles (Parallel Agreement).
- (3) Directive 2007/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 September 2007 establishing a framework for the approval of motor vehicles and their trailers, and of systems, components and separate technical units intended for such vehicles³ (Framework Directive) replaced the Member States' approval systems with a Union approval procedure, establishing a harmonised framework containing the administrative provisions and general technical requirements for all new vehicles, systems, components and separate technical units. That Directive incorporated UNECE Regulations in the EU vehicle type-approval system, either as requirements for type-approval or as alternatives to Union legislation. Since the adoption of Directive 2007/46/EC, UNECE Regulations have increasingly replaced Union legislation in the framework of EU vehicle type-approval.

¹ OJ L 346, 17.12.1997, p. 78.

² OJ L 35, 10.2.2000, p. 12.

³ OJ L 263, 9.10.2007, p. 1.

- (4) In the light of experience and technical developments, the requirements relating to certain elements or features covered by UNECE Regulations Nos 13, 13H, 16, 29, 44, 53, 79, 94, 95, 96, 117 and 130 and by UNECE Global Technical Regulations Nos 2 and 12 need to be adapted. The proposal for a Global Technical Regulation on hydrogen and fuel cell vehicles should be adopted.
- It is appropriate to establish the position to be adopted on behalf of the Union in the Administrative Committee of the Revised 1958 Agreement and in the Executive Committee of the Parallel Agreement concerning the amendments to be made to those UNECE acts,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union within the Administrative Committee of the Revised 1958 Agreement and the Executive Committee of the Parallel Agreement on 24 to 28 of June 2013 shall be to vote in favour of the proposed amendments listed in the Annex.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its notification.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the European Commission.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council The President

<u>ANNEX</u>

List referred to in Article 1:

ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2013/56
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Proposal for Supplement 4 to the 02 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 94 (Frontal collision)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2013/47
Proposal for Supplement 3 to the 03 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 95 (Lateral collision)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2013/48
Proposal for the 04 series of amendments to Regulation No. 96 (Diesel emission (agricultural tractors))	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2013/51
Proposal for Supplement 4 to the 02 series of amendments to Regulation No. 117 (Tyres, rolling resistance, rolling noise and wet grip)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2013/55 WP.29-160-08
Proposal for Supplement 1 to the 01 series of amendments to the draft Regulation [No. 130] on Advanced Emergency Braking Systems (AEBS)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2013/60
Proposal for Amendment 5 to the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles (R.E.3), and its Annex 4 on market fuel quality	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2013/52
Proposal for a global technical regulation on hydrogen and fuel cell vehicles	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2013/41 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2013/42 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/AC.3/17 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2011/147
Proposal for Amendment 3 to global technical regulation No. 2 (Worldwide Motorcycle emissions Test Cycle (WMTC))	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2013/53 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2013/54 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/AC.3/34
Proposal for Amendment 1 to global technical regulation No. 12 (Controls tell-tales and indicators for two-wheeled vehicles)	ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2013/34 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2013/34/Amend.1 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2013/34/Amend.1/Corr.1 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2013/35 ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2012/AC.3/35