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PROPOSAL TO AMEND TRANS/WP.29/GRSG/2003/10/Rev.1, PROPOSED CONSOLIDATED RESOLUTION ON COMMON DEFINITIONS AND PROCEDURES

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Proposal

Change paragraph 1.3.1 of Annex 2, starting at the fourth line, to read as follows:

Pay mass as defined in paragraph 6.of annex 3 exceeds 150 kg for the vehicle, as configured with the maximum mass of factory fitted accessories, the vehicle shall be deemed to be a category 2 vehicle.

Justification

The minimum pay mass of a category 2 vehicle is intended to serve as part of an objective way of distinguishing between category 1 and category 2 vehicles. The minimum pay mass of 150 kg proposed by the expert of France would possibly be met by versions of some two-passenger automobiles without available heavy factory options such as air conditioning and automatic transmissions. In order to use a minimum pay mass suitable for the smallest category 2 vehicles, without incorrectly categorizing some large sports cars, the pay mass of the vehicle with the heaviest factory option content should be considered.