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PROPOSAL FOR DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO
GLOBAL TECHNICAL REGULATION No. 1
(Door Latches and Door Retention Components)

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Note: The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from the USA in order to resolve the pending definition of an auxiliary latch system. It is based on a document distributed without a symbol (informal document No. GRSP-37-17) during the thirty-seventh GRSP session (TRANS/WP.29/GRSP/37, para. 5). The amendments to the current text of the gtr are marked in **bold** characters.

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A. PROPOSAL

Paragraph 3.1., amend to read:

"3.1. "Auxiliary Door Latch" is a latch equipped with a fully latched position, **with or without a secondary latch position**, and fitted to a door or door system equipped with a primary door latch system."

Paragraph 3.18., amend to read:

"3.18. "Primary Door Latch" is a latch equipped with both a fully latched position and a secondary latched position **and is designated as a "primary door latch" by the manufacturer. The manufacturer may not thereafter change such designation. Each manufacturer shall, upon request, provide information regarding which latches are "primary door latches" for a particular vehicle or make/model.**"

B. JUSTIFICATION

According to paragraph 2. of informal document No. GRSP-36-5, the vehicle manufacturers are concerned that the definition of the "Auxiliary Door Latch", as stipulated in paragraph 3.1. of gtr No. 1, as well as the hinged door performance requirements, as specified in paragraph 5.1. of gtr No. 1, are not clear. As written, a manufacturer must have all auxiliary door latches meet the same requirements as primary door latches, because there is no way to determine which is primary and which is auxiliary if they all have a secondary latching system. This was not the intent of the global technical regulation.
