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PROPOSAL FOR DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO GTR 1

(Door Latches and Door Retention Components)

Transmitted by the expert from the United States of America

<u>Paragraphs 3.1. and 3.18., amend to read:</u> (New text in **bold**.)

- "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."
- 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.

Justification:

In Informal Document GRSP-36-5, item 2, OICA is concerned that the definition of the "Auxiliary Door Latch", in section 3.1 of GTR 1, and the hinged door performance requirements, section 5.1 of GTR 1, are not clear. As written, a manufacturer must have all auxiliary door latches meet the same requirements as a 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.

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