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## INDIA'S COMMENTS ON NEW PROPOSAL FOR REGULATION No. 48 VIDE ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRE/2009/9

India agrees for the amendments suggested by the Chairman of the Working Party on Lighting and Light-Signalling regarding the automatic switching of the dipped beam headlamps installed on a vehicle equipped with the daytime running lamps . However we further propose amendment in clause 6.1.7.1 as follows.

"6.1.7.1. The main-beam headlamps may be switched ON **manually**, in a steady-burning state, only when the master light switch is in headlamps ON position or in "AUTO" (automatic) position and the conditions for automatic activation of dipped beam exist. In the later case, the main beam headlamps shall be switched off automatically when the conditions for automatic activation of dipped beam ceased to exist."

## **Justification**:

Though this paragraph would permit permanent activation of main beam headlamps only when dipped beam headlamps are activated. Addition of "manually" will ensure main beams are not activated automatically in any condition..

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