I. Proposal

Paragraph 6.1.7.2., amend to read:

"6.1.7.2. It shall always be possible to switch the main-beam headlamps ON and OFF manually and to manually switch offOFF the automatic control of the main-beam headlamps.

Moreover, the switching OFF, of the main-beam headlamps and of their automatic control, shall be by means of a simple and immediate manual operation (multi-step operations, such as the use of sub-menus, are not allowed).

The same operation shall at the same time switch OFF the main-beam headlamps automatic control that may be automatically activated again not before than [10] sec after its switching OFF."

Paragraph 6.22.7.1.3., amend to read:

"6.22.7.1.3.It shall always be possible to switch the main-beam headlamps, adaptive or non-adaptive, ON and OFF manually and to manually switch offOFF the automatic control.

Moreover, the switching OFF, of the main-beam headlamps and of their automatic control, shall be by means of a simple and immediate manual operation (multi-step operations, such as the use of sub-menus, are not allowed).

The same operation shall at the same time switch OFF the main-beam headlamps automatic control that may be automatically activated again not before than [10] sec after its switching OFF."

II. Justification

Italy deems correct that the text of paragraphs 6.1.7.2. and 6.22.7.1.3. be clarified requesting a "simple and immediate manual operation" to switch OFF the main beam when necessary and it is logic that also the automatic control be switched OFF together to avoid a sudden and unwanted re-activation of the main beams.

However some automatic control systems could be activated via a sub menu or control not easily accessible. This could mean that each time the driver overrides the automatic main beam control need to search for its re-activation the right position of the control or the necessary sub menu.

This need could cause two adverse effects: distraction of the driver and, in the case the operation is relatively frequent, disaffection to the use of the system itself.

For these reasons Italy deem useful to allow the vehicles manufacturers to provide for an automatic re-activation of the system with a delay of [X] seconds, allowing that the situation that requested the manual switching OFF is passed.
