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Proposal for amendments to the 04 series of amendments to Regulation No. 46 (rear-view mirrors)

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The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from the International Organization of Motor Vehicle Manufacturers (OICA) to clarify the transitional provisions of the 04 series of amendments to UN Regulation No. 46. It is based on informal document GRSG-104-26. It assumes that the amendments to the 03 series of amendments are adopted (proposed in ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRSG/2013/18). The modifications are marked in bold characters.

^{*} In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2010–2014 (ECE/TRANS/208, para. 106 and ECE/TRANS/2010/8, programme activity 02.4), the World Forum will develop, harmonize and update Regulations in order to enhance the performance of vehicles. The present document is submitted in conformity with that mandate.

I. Proposal

Paragraph 21.10., shall be deleted and the following paragraphs shall be re-number accordingly.

Paragraph 21.17., amend to read:

"21.17. Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall not refuse to grant extensions of type approvals for existing types of vehicles or devices, which are not affected by the 04 series of amendments, granted according to the **02 or** 03 series of amendments to this Regulation."

Insert a new paragraph 21.18., to read:

"21.18. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs 21.2., 21.4., 21.5., 21.13. and 21.15. above, for the purpose of replacement parts, Contracting Parties applying this Regulation shall continue to grant approvals according to the 01 series of amendments to this Regulation, to devices for indirect vision of classes I to IV, VI and VII for use on vehicle types which have been approved before 26 January 2006 pursuant to the 01 series of amendments of Regulation No. 46 and to devices for indirect vision of class VI for use on vehicles which have been approved before 26 January 2007 pursuant to the 01 series of amendments of Regulation No. 46, and, where applicable, subsequent extensions to these approvals."

II. Justification

- 1. The current text of the transitional provisions in UN Regulation No. 46 lacks clarity of provisions for devices:
 - (a) in the case of extensions to approvals to the 04 series of amendments;
 - (b) in the case of approvals to the 02 series of amendments;
 - (c) intended to be sold as aftermarket products.
- 2. Amendments to paragraph 21.17.:

The current text of the paragraph needs to be improved to permit extensions for devices approved to the 02 series of amendments.

3. Amendments to paragraph 21.18.:

The current text of the transitional provisions of the 04 series of amendments makes it impossible to obtain an extension of approval for the replacement parts granted according to the 01 series of amendments. Therefore, it is proposed to:

- (a) delete the existing paragraph 21.10.;
- (b) add a new paragraph [21.18] similar to the existing paragraph 21.10. for replacement parts of Classes I to IV, VI and VII.;
- (c) include in this new paragraph the references to paragraphs 21.2., 21.4. and 21.5. in order to avoid unnecessary repetition of wording.

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