## Progress report by the informal group on DETA on the Declaration of Conformance (draft Regulation 0 on International Whole Vehicle Type-Approval)

## A. Background

1. At its 164<sup>th</sup> session in November 2014, the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29) agreed to re-activate the informal group on the electronic Database for the Exchange of Type Approval documentation (DETA) to develop a harmonized Declaration of Conformance (DoC) process as part of Regulation 0 on the International Whole Vehicle Type Approval.

## B. Status

- 2. The Informal working group has met on the 9<sup>th</sup> of March and agreed its future meetings to be scheduled on the day before the IWVTA meetings.
- 3. The informal group took note of the implementation of the DETA application in the IT systems of the United Nations. Concerns have been raised about the financing of the system. The informal group stresses that the financing should be included in the regular budget of the UNECE as agreed by WP.29 in the past and requests WP.29 to re-confirm this view.
- 4. The informal group took note of the implementation of DETA in the draft Revision 3 of the 1958 Agreement and the draft Regulation 0 on the International Whole Vehicle Type-approval (IWVTA). With regard to the use of the Unique Identifier the informal group points out that the subsidiary bodies under WP.29 should consider a choice between the application of the conventional markings and/or the application of the Unique Identifier. The informal group DETA will provide input on the use of the DETA system and the use of the Unique Identifier for the draft revision 2 of guidance document ECE/TRANS/WP.29/1044 that is under consideration by the informal group IWVTA.
- 5. The working group had a first discussion on the possibility to include into DETA the delivery of a DoC (in printable format) that specifies the level of requirements that has been applied to a specific vehicle approved according Regulation 0. The working group will develop further specifications for DETA through a drafting group which will meet in the beginning of April. Participants of WP.29 are invited to contribute and can express their interest through tguiting@rdw.nl.
- 6. The chair informed the participants on the wish to elaborate a permanent group for the further development of the IWVTA and DETA and that a decision of WP.29 will be awaited for.
- 7. The informal group elected Mr. Tim Guiting from the Netherlands as secretariat for the meetings of DETA from the June session.
- 8. The informal group will continue its work on the 16<sup>th</sup> of June 2015 (tbc).