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Guidelines

for

GRB Task Force on a Regulation under 1958 Agreement about Reverse Warning Issues

Adopted by GRB Task Force on a Regulation under 1958 Agreement about Reverse Warning Issues at its third meeting

A. Introduction

- 1. Following ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/64, Agenda item 8 para. 21 & 22, this document establishes Guidelines for the work of the Task Force on a Regulation under the 1958 Agreement about the Reverse Warning Issues of vehicles.
- 2. The aim of the Group is to propose a new Regulation based on audible Reverse Warning Issues systems installed on vehicles of category M3, N3, [M2 and N2] for safety of vulnerable road users while considering environment and taking into account non-audible system.

B. Objective of Task Force on Reverse Warning Issues Regulation

- 1. The scope and purpose of the Regulation should cover vehicles of category M3, N3, [M2 and N2]. Task Force on Reverse Warning Issues shall develop harmonized technical requirements for vehicles of these categories with consideration to both safety and environment.
- 2. Task Force on Reverse Warning Issues shall develop harmonized test procedures for evaluating the conformity of potential audible sound characteristics.
- 3. Task Force on Reverse Warning Issues shall report to GRB.

C. Rules of Procedure

- 1. Task Force on Reverse Warning Issues is open to all participants of GRB. However it is recommended that a maximum of two technical experts per country and organization participate in this group. Task Force on Reverse Warning Issues will be chaired by Japan and co-chaired by Turkey. OICA shall act as Secretary.
- 2. The working language will be English.
- 3. All documents and/or proposals must be submitted to the Secretary of Task Force in a suitable electronic format at least one week before the session.
- 4. An agenda and the latest draft document will be circulated to all members of Task Force in advance of all scheduled meetings.
- 5. All Task Force documentation will be made available on the dedicated UNECE website.
- 6. The Task Force decisions will be reached by consensus. When consensus cannot be reached, the Task Force Chairman shall present the different points of view to GRB and seek guidance from GRB as appropriate.

D. Timeline

 The aim of Task Force on Reverse Warning Issues is to present an informal document for consideration during the 68th GRB in Sep. 2018, the 69th GRB in January 2019 and the 70th GRB in autumn 2019. The final objective of Task Force on Reverse Warning Issues is to present a working document for consideration during 71st GRB in 2020.
