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PROPOSAL FOR A DRAFT AMENDMENT TO REGULATION No. 36 (Public service vehicles)

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<u>Note</u>: The text reproduced below was prepared by the expert from Spain in order to reintroduce in the Class II definition of vehicles the possibility of having seated passengers only. It is based on a document distributed without a symbol (informal document No. 9) during the seventy-seventh session of GRSG (TRANS/WP.29/GRSG/56, para. 14).

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A. PROPOSAL

Paragraph 2.1.2., amend to read:

"2.1.2. "Class II" vehicles constructed principally for the carriage of seated passengers; they may be designed to allow the carriage of standing passengers in the gangway and/or in a standing area which does not exceed the space provided for two double seats."

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B. JUSTIFICATION

Definition of Class II vehicles introduced by supplement 1 to the 03 series of amendments to Regulation No. 36 has created certain problems in the transport areas, because it does not allow coaches to be designed with a seat pitch of 68 cm as allowed with the former definition. This problem is being resolved by the above proposal, according to which coaches may conform to Class II.