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Proposals for Draft Amendments

**To the Regulations No. 14 (document E/ECE/324 & E/ECE/TRANS/505/Rev.1/Add.13/Rev.3)
and the Regulations No. 16 (document E/ECE/324 & E/ECE/TRANS/505/Rev.1/Add.15/Rev.4)**

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A. PROPOSAL

In the paragraph 5.3.1 of the Regulations No. 14 and paragraph 8.1.1 of the Regulations No. 16 the text in the brackets:

«(except those vehicles in categories M2 and M3 which are designed for both urban use and standing passengers)»

amend to read:

«(except those vehicles in categories M2 and M3 regarded to Class I in accordance with the Regulations No. 36 and to Class A in accordance with the Regulations No. 52)».

B. JUSTIFICATION

1. Practice of application of the said paragraphs of the mentioned Regulations for the purpose of homologation has indicated insufficient exactness of formulation, which causes difficulties in deciding about necessity of equipment of buses by seat belts and seat belt anchorages.

As a rule, at the time of homologation it is not possible to find out, whether the buses would be used only in urban conditions. However, in the cities the buses of Class I in accordance with the Regulations No. 36 and to Class A I in accordance with the Regulations No. 52 are mostly used. From the other point it does not mean that such buses cannot be driven outside of urban areas.

Taking into account the aforesaid, correction of formulations of Regulations Nos. 14 and 16 is proposed, which would allow definitely decide about equipment of buses by seat belts and seat belt anchorages.

2. Within the framework of discussion being held at the World Forum WP.29 concerning opportunities of improvement of quality of development of the ECE Regulations, the described proposal can be considered as the illustration of necessity of coordination of draft documents or their parts prepared in one Working Party by other Working Parties.

If it had been discovered that some formulations of the text of a document were considered not accurate enough, such coordination might be taken place due to proposal of the Chairman of a Working Party, which had developed the document, the World Forum WP.29 or the secretariat.

Certain increase of time of consideration of documents will be compensated by improvement of quality of preparation of those.