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Proposal for Corrigendum 5 to Revision 6

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The text reproduced below was prepared by the experts from the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the European Association of Automobile Suppliers (CLEPA) to correct the text on the length of conspicuity markings. It is based on a document without symbol (GRE–65–08), distributed during the sixty-fifth session of the Working Party on Lighting and Light-Signalling (GRE). The modifications to the existing text of the Regulation are marked in bold for new or strikethrough for deleted characters.

In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2010–2014 (ECE/TRANS/208, para. 106, 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 6.21.4.2.2.1., amend to read:

"6.21.4.2.2.1. For motor vehicles, the length of the vehicle excluding the cab, or in the case of tractors for semi-trailers, if fitted, the length of the cab;"

II. Justification

A. Rationale

- 1. This proposal corrects paragraph 6.21.4.2.2.1. which was amended by error during the 138th session of the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicles Regulations (WP.29).
- 2. The proposed text ensures that when calculating the required cumulative length of the side conspicuity marking, the entire length of the vehicle, including the cab, is considered except in the case of tractors for semi-trailers where only the length of the cab is considered.

B. Background

- 3. At its fifty-fifth session, GRE adopted requirements on the installation of conspicuity markings, see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2006/15. This was subsequently amended during the 138th session of WP.29 (see ECE/TRANS/WP29/2006/15/Amend.1), with the intention to exclude tractors for semi-trailers and the cabs of chassis-cabs from the mandatory installation of side conspicuity markings.
- 4. However, ECE/TRANS/WP29/2006/15/Amend.1 also, incorrectly, amends paragraph 6.21.4.2.2.1. such that the cabs of motor vehicles are not considered when calculating the cumulative length of the side conspicuity marking. This does not reflect the intention of WP.29 (see ECE/TRANS/WP29/1050, paras. 46 and 47).
- 5. For further background see GRE-65-08.
