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Proposal for amendments to the Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure of the World Forum

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The text reproduced below was prepared by the Chair of the World Forum. It is based on informal document No. WP.29-155-34, distributed at the 155th session (ECE/TRANS/WP.29/1093, paragraph 105). It amends the Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedures of the World forum (TRANS/WP.29/690 and ECE/TRANS/WP.29/690/Amend.1).

^{*} In accordance with the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee for 2010–2014 (ECE/TRANS/208, para. 106 and 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.

Paragraph 1, subparagraph (a), amend to read:

"(a) Initiate and pursue actions aiming at the harmonization or development of technical regulations or amendments to such regulations, adapted to the technical progress, which may be accepted world-wide, and which are directed at improving vehicle safety, protecting the environment, promoting energy efficiency and anti-theft performance, providing uniform conditions for periodical technical inspections and strengthening economic relations world-wide, according to the objectives laid down in the respective Agreements."

Insert a new subparagraph 1(b), to read:

"(b) Develop and realize measures on adaptation of legal instruments to the technical progress, achieve coordination between legal tools, develop the guideline principles for establishment of technical requirements and uniform procedures for compliance assessment."

Paragraph 1, subparagraph (b) (former), renumber as subparagraph (c) and amend to read:

"(c) Foster the reciprocal recognition of approvals, certificates and periodical technical inspections among Contracting Parties to the Agreements that expressly provide for such action; development of the Database for Exchange of Self Certification and Type Approval Documentation."

Paragraph 1, subparagraphs (c) to (h) (former), renumber as subparagraphs (d) to (i).