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**REVISION OF THE CONSOLIDATED RESOLUTIONS ON ROAD TRAFFIC (R.E.1)
AND ON ROAD SIGNS AND SIGNALS (R.E.2)**

Road works signing

Transmitted by Denmark and the Russian Federation

At its thirty-third session, members of the Working Party agreed to send written comments to the secretariat on the recommendations on road works' signing contained in TRANS/WP.1/1999/17 so that the Working Party could examine this issue in depth at its thirty-fourth session (TRANS/WP.1/67, paras. 34). The following comments have been received from Denmark and the Russian Federation.

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DENMARK

1. In chapters 2.1 and 2.2, technical requirements are given. From the Danish point of view these requirements contain too many technical details. As the work in WP.1 primarily concerns legal questions we would propose that the technical requirements in the two chapters should be deleted and replaced by a more general statement:

“1.6 Domestic legislation should provide that road signs, markings and additional markings of vehicles should be lighted or equipped with reflective material or reflecting devices, provided that this does not result in road-users being dazzled.”

This proposal is in line with the general rule in the Convention on Road Signs and Signals, Article 7.1.

2. As indicated, it is proposed that the above-mentioned text should be part of chapter 1, “General requirements”. Chapter 2.3 should be renumbered 1.7, and chapter 2 as it now stands would disappear. The following chapters should be renumbered accordingly.

3. The numbering of the warning signs in chapter 3 should be brought in line with the latest version of the Convention:

A, 15 should be renumbered A, 16

and if the annex is kept in the document:

A,15 should be renumbered A,16

A, 4c should be renumbered A, 4b

A,19 should be renumbered A, 23

A, 8 should be renumbered A, 9

A, 9a should be renumbered A,10a, and

A, 16a should be renumbered A, 17a.

4. Chapter 7.1 should be replaced by:

“Signs indicating diversions or detours should have orange or yellow ground with black symbols and inscriptions in accordance with Convention on Road Signs and Signals, Section G, Chapter I, 4.”

The recommendation could be placed in a new chapter 3 in the Consolidated Resolution on Road Signs and Signals (R. E. 2).

RUSSIAN FEDERATION

1. Paragraph 1.4 needs to be reworded since Recommendations 2.3 and 2.4, as referred to in this paragraph, have been deleted from R.E.1.

2. Add a new paragraph 1.6 as follows:

“1.6. Vehicles to be used for road works shall be equipped with special amber warning lights.”

3. Not applicable to the English text.

4. In paragraph 3.1 change the number of the road sign: A,15 should be replaced with A,16.

5. In paragraph 3.3 replace the word “shall” with the word “may”, and the words “height, width or weight” with the words “width, height, mass or axle load”.

6. Not applicable to the English text.

7. Paragraph 5.3 should read as follows: “Electrically illuminated vertical delineators may be used whenever necessary in addition to the devices mentioned above.”

8. Not applicable to the English text.

9. In paragraph 7.1 replace the words “should be applied” with the words “shall be applied”.

10. In paragraph 8.2 replace the words “at the end” with the words “also after the end” .

11. In paragraph 10.2 replace the words “horizontal and vertical delineation markings” with the words “horizontal markings and vertical delineation devices”.

12. In the description of road signs to be used for road works, the signs should be displayed in sequence as provided for in the 1968 Convention on Road Signs and Signals.

This means changing the road sign numbers as follows:

Delete number A,4^c, since this sign bears the number A,4^b in the Convention;

Replace A,8 with A,9;

Replace A,9^a with A,10^a ;

Replace A,15 with A,16;

Replace A,16^a with A,17^a ;

Replace A,19 with A,23;

Replace G,1^c with G,11^c ;

Replace G,1^a with G,12^a .
