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PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO ANNEXES A AND B OF ADR

Chapter 9.2

Compliance of vehicles with regard to braking equipment

Transmitted by the Government of France

Executive summary: The purpose of this document is to identify the minimum

requirements of ECE Regulation No. 13 with which old vehicles

must comply.

Action to be taken: Amendment of the table in 9.2.1 of ADR.

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With regard to braking equipment, ADR refers in 9.2.3 to "all relevant technical requirements of ECE Regulation No. 13 or Directive 71/320/EEC, as amended, in accordance with the dates of application specified therein".

When these requirements were introduced into ADR, provision was made for upgrading old vehicles. In the table in 9.2.1 this takes the form of comments d and g under 9.2.3 which read: "Mandatory compliance for all vehicles as from 1 January 2010."

The question is to identify the requirements of ECE Regulation No. 13 or of Directive 71/320/EEC to which old vehicles should be subject in order to ensure this compliance.

During discussion of the issue in May 2005 we stressed the technical difficulties that might arise in upgrading old vehicles, particularly in view of the numerous amendments to ECE Regulation No. 13.

The Working Party expressed the wish for a proposal for amendment to be submitted identifying the minimum requirements of the Regulation with which vehicles would have to comply.

Our proposal is to specify that at least the requirements of Regulation No. 13 or the pertinent Directive applicable on 1 July 1993 when the provisions of ADR on braking equipment entered into force should apply in the context of this compliance.

We propose the following modification to the table in 9.2.1:

Proposal

In the table in 9.2.1, under the heading "Braking equipment",

Amend comment d to read:

"As from 1 January 2010, all vehicles must at least meet the requirements of Regulation No. 13, 06 series of amendments, or of Directive 71/320/EEC as amended by Directive 91/422/EC."

Amend comment g to read:

"As from 1 January 2010, all motor vehicles must at least meet the requirements of Regulation No. 13, 06 series of amendments, or of Directive 71/320/EEC as amended by Directive 91/422/EC."

Safety, feasibility, enforceability: no problems.
