**Proposal to amend Working Document ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRPE/2025/16**

The text below aims to amend Working Document ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRPE/2025/16 prepared by the experts of the European Commission and OICA. The goal of the proposed text is to introduce the concept of special purpose vehicles to achieve harmonization between the European emissions legislation and UN Regulation No. 83.

I. Proposal

*Paragraph 12,* amend to read:

"12.Transitional **and Special** provisions"

Include a new *paragraph 12.2.* to read:

**"12.2. Provisions for special purpose vehicles**

 **12.2.1. Provisions for armoured vehicles**

**The responsible authority may grant type-approvals including exemption(s) to requirements of this regulation to armoured vehicles in accordance with paragraph 2.5.2. of the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles (R.E.3), if the manufacturer demonstrates that the vehicle cannot meet the requirements due to its special purpose.**

**The type of special purpose vehicle and the exemptions granted are to be described in point 1.0. of section I of the type-approval certificate in accordance with Annex 2 to this regulation.**

**The requirements on In-service conformity in accordance with paragraph 9. of this Regulation shall not apply to armoured vehicles.**

 **12.2.2. Provisions for hearses**

**The requirements on In-service conformity in accordance with paragraph 9. of this Regulation shall not apply to hearses in accordance with paragraph 2.5.4. of the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles (R.E.3)."**

**II. Justification**

1. The European whole-vehicle type-approval scheme includes the possibility to grant type-approvals to armoured vehicles including exemptions to specific requirements of the corresponding regulation. These exemptions for armoured vehicles are included in Appendix 2 of Part III of Annex II to Regulation (EU) 2018/858. In addition, within Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/1706 armoured vehicles and hearses are exempted from In-Service Conformity requirements. The proposed amendment aims to introduce the concept of armoured vehicles and hearses as special purpose vehicles within UN Regulation No. 83 and by doing so to harmonize the requirements.