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Document	ADS-20-48/Rev.	
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Submitted by	CA, ETSC, UK, NL	Affiliation only—No personal information
Title	change user requirement and accompanying GID text	25 words or less (used to post document)
Location	4.2.2.3.8.1 (b) / 6.2.2.3.8.1 (b)	e.g., impacted section, paragraph number(s)
Summary	Change necessary to better reflect what is meant by suitably engaged in relation to where the user looked	<input type="checkbox"/> Accepted <input type="checkbox"/> Accepted as amended <input type="checkbox"/> Deferred (further discussion) <input type="checkbox"/> Not accepted <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn
Original Text (4.2.2.3.8.1 / 6.2.2.3.8.1 A user is considered suitably engaged to resume the DDT when they are at least: (a) In contact with the steering control and, (b) Their gaze has been primarily directed to a driving task relevant area long enough to be able to resume the DDT safely.	
Revised Text	A user is considered suitably engaged to resume the DDT when they are at least: (a) In contact with the steering control and, (b) Their gaze has been primarily directed to the driving task relevant area long enough to be able to resume the DDT safely.	
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The driving task relevant area can be considered of consisting out of different ‘zones’ which can be described as follows (see, e.g., [UNR 183]):

- **inside mirror**
- **left outside mirror**
- **right outside mirror**
- **left window**
- **right window**
- **windscreen**
- **instrument cluster / instrument display**

Regarding (b):

The driving task relevant area typically consists of multiple zones. Depending on the type of ADS feature and the driving situation it could be suitable to ensure that the user has looked at just one zone or more than one zone.

Rationale

The reason for this proposal is that the intention has been that the user checks different ‘zones’ or one zone depending on the situation. Meaning that the user checks his/her mirrors, forward view and instrument cluster in order to build up ‘situation awareness’ in ‘normal’ ODD exits. However in other situations just checking the road ahead (windscreen) may be enough. This proposal gives the flexibility that depending on the situation looking at one ‘zone’ or multiple ‘zones’ is enough.

Discussion

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