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The Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations presents his compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, and, with reference to the Government of Japan's submission of the status report on the new regulations annexed to the Agreement Concerning the Establishment of Global Technical Regulations for Wheeled Vehicles, Equipment and Parts which can be fitted and/or be used on Wheeled Vehicle done at Geneva on 25 June 1998, has the honor to submit the following status report in accordance with Article 7.4 of the abovementioned Agreement:

“Global technical regulation concerning door locks and door retention components (ECE/TRANS/180/Add.1, hereinafter referred to as the “gtr”) (Reference is made to the notification ECE/TRAN/2005/124/1 dated 21 September 2005.)

The Government of Japan has concluded both the Agreement concerning the Adoption of Uniform Technical Prescriptions for Wheeled Vehicles, Equipment and Parts which can be fitted and/or be used on Wheeled Vehicles and the Conditions for Reciprocal Recognition of Approvals Granted on the Basis of these Prescriptions (hereinafter referred to as the “1958 Agreement”) and the Agreement Concerning the Establishing of Global Technical Regulations for Wheeled Vehicles and has already applied the regulation titled Uniform provisions concerning the approval of vehicles with regard to door latches and door retention components (ECE Regulation No. 11) of the 1958 Agreement.

Since the subject of ECE Regulation No. 11 is the same as that of the gtr, the former should be amended to be in line with the latter so that national legislations can correspond to both regulations. An amendment that would align ECE Regulation No. 11 with the gtr has already been proposed by the European Commission in May 2005 (TRANS/WP29/GRSP/2005/9).

The Government of Japan will make a final decision on this matter after the amendment to ECE Regulation No. 11 proposed by the European Commission is adopted at the WP29.”

The Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations avails himself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of the United Nations the assurances of his highest consideration.

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