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The Permanent Mission of Japan to the International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe and, with reference to 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 Vehicles, completed in Geneva on 25 June 1998 (hereinafter referred to as the "1998 Agreement"), has the honor to submit the following status report, in accordance with Article 7.4 of the above-mentioned 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 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 Prescription 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 1998 Agreement. Japan 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 legislation can correspond to both regulations. An amendment that would align ECE regulation No.11 with the gtr was established at the 140th WP29 in November 2006 (TRANS/WP29/2006/110) and was announced by the Secretary-General of the United Nations (C.N.1161.2006.TREATIES-1) in December 2006.

The Government of Japan will make a final decision on this matter by the date of the adoption of the above mentioned amendment.

The Permanent Mission of Japan to the International Organizations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe the assurances of its highest consideration.



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