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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 regulations annexed to the Agreement Concerning the Establishing of Global Technical Regulations for Wheeled Vehicles, Equipment and Parts which can be fitted and/or be used on Wheeled Vehicles 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 World-wide Motorcycle Emission Test Cycle

(ECE/TRANS/180/Add2, hereinafter referred to as the “gtr”)

(Reference is made to the notification ECE/TRANS/2005/124/2 dated 4 October 2005)

The Government of Japan is studying how to adopt the gtr to the Safety Regulations of Road Vehicles including treatment of regulation values. As a part of this study, the Government of Japan has collected the emission data tested both on the test cycle set down in the gtr and the existing Japan's test cycle, and just received a report completed by the national laboratory on the correlation between those data. The Government of Japan is going to study the reference value for the gtr based on this report and will start procedures for the adoption as soon as all the study is completed.”

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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