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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.

"Amendment 1 to global technical regulation No.2, MEASUREMENT PROCEDURE FOR TWO-WHEELED MOTORCYCLES EQUIPPED WITH A POSITIVE OR COMPRESSION IGNITION ENGINE WITH REGARD TO THE EMISSION OF GASEOUS POLLUTANTS, CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS AND FUEL CONSUMPTION

(ECE/TRANS/180/Add.2/Amend.1, hereinafter referred to as the "amendment")

(Reference is made to the notification ECE/TRANS/2005/124/2/Amend.1 dated 31 January 2008)

The Government of Japan is studying how to adopt gtr No.2 which was amended by the amendment to the Safety Regulations of Road Vehicles including treatment of limit 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 No.2 and the existing Japan's test cycle, and just received a report completed by the national laboratory on the correlation between those data as well as a reference value which is equivalent to the current limit value in the domestic regulation. The Government of Japan will consider adopting the amendment in a process to adopt the gtr No.2. "

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.

Geneva, 7 January 2009

