

**MISSION PERMANENTE DU JAPON**

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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 No.4, TEST PROCEDURE FOR COMPRESSION-IGNITION (C.I.) ENGINES AND POSITIVE-IGNITION (P.I.) ENGINES FUELLED WITH NATURAL GAS (NG) OR LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS (LPG) WITH REGARD TO THE EMISSION OF POLLUTANTS

(ECE/TRANS/180/Add.4, hereinafter referred to as the "gtr")

(Reference is made to the notification ECE/TRANS/2005/124/4 dated 2 February 2007)

The Government of Japan is studying how to adopt the gtr to the Safety Regulations of Road Vehicles, as well as implementation rule of the gtr mainly on the points where a contracting party has to make a choice among given options according to the gtr. As a part of this study, the Government of Japan is collecting the emission data with a view to unification of the issues which remain unharmonized in the current text of the gtr. The Government of Japan will prepare for introduction of the gtr in consideration of the discussion under WP.29."

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

