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VERBAL NOTE

The European Commission services present their compliments to the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe and has the honour to bring the latter's knowledge the following:

In accordance with Article 7.2 of 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, the European Union began applying the Global Technical Regulation No. 9 - Pedestrian Safety on 24 November 2009.

The relevant requirements as laid down in Global Technical Regulation No. 9 have been fully taken into account with the adoption on 14 January 2009 of Regulation (EC) 78/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council, on the type-approval of motor vehicles with regard to the protection of pedestrians and other vulnerable road users, as well as the adoption on 22 July 2009 of Commission Regulation (EC) 631/2009, laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 78/2009.

The European Commission services avail themselves of this opportunity to renew to the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe the assurances of their highest consideration.