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The Permanent Mission of Australia to the World Trade Organization presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to refer 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 (the Agreement), done at Geneva on 25 June 1998.

The Permanent Mission of Australia to the World Trade Organization has the honour to provide the following notification to the Secretary-General under Article 7 of the Agreement.

Global Technical Regulation No. 14 – Pole Side Impact

Australia has adopted Global Technical Regulation (GTR) No. 14 into Australian law, through Australian Design Rule (ADR) 85/00 – Pole Side Impact Performance.

ADR 85/00 was determined on 12 December 2015 and mandates the technical requirements of GTR No. 14, as transposed into UN Regulation No. 135/01.

The ADR will apply to:

- a) new model category 1-1 vehicles with a gross vehicle mass of up to 3,500 kg from 1 November 2017:
- b) new model category 2 vehicles with a gross vehicle mass of up to 3,500 kg (see note) from 1 July 2018;
- c) all new category 1-1 vehicles with a gross vehicle mass of up to 3,500 kg from 1 November 2021; and
- d) all new category 2 vehicles with a gross vehicle mass of up to 3,500 kg (see note) from 1 November 2022.

Note: The ADR will not apply to category 2 vehicles satisfying the optional criteria (high-forward driver seating position) provided for in paragraph 52 of the GTR.

This advice serves as Australia's final notification on the GTR.

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