2. The Parties shall consult, with a view to ensuring safety and environmental protection and to promoting harmonisation of technical regulations under the 1958 Agreement, and shall agree on the dates for applying the UN Regulations specified in Appendix 2-C-2 no later than seven years after the date of entry into force of this Agreement. When the Parties, during those consultations, consider it necessary to amend a specific UN Regulation in order to agree on the date of application, the provisions of Article 6 of this Annex apply.

ARTICLE 6

Amendments to existing UN Regulations

1. Whenever a Party considers it necessary to amend a UN Regulation listed in Appendix 2-C-1 or 2-C-2, that Party shall consult with the other Party to consider amending the UN Regulation.

2. If the Parties agree on amending the UN Regulation, the Parties shall cooperate to develop a draft amendment, taking into account the road traffic environment of each Party, and to submit it to WP.29. The Parties shall cooperate with a view to the early adoption of the draft amendment at WP.29.

3. If the Parties agree that an amended UN Regulation listed in Appendix 2-C-2 does not significantly diverge from the draft amendment developed by the Parties, each Party shall accept type approvals granted pursuant to the amended UN Regulation no later than the date specified therein. In case of disagreement between the Parties, the rights and obligations of the 1958 Agreement shall apply.

ARTICLE 7

Establishment of new UN Regulations

1. Whenever a Party considers it necessary to establish a new UN Regulation, that Party shall consult with the other Party with a view to ensuring safety and environmental protection and to promoting harmonisation of technical regulations.

2. If the Parties agree on establishing a new UN Regulation, they shall cooperate to develop a joint draft UN Regulation and to submit it to WP.29. The Parties will cooperate aiming at the early adoption of that draft UN Regulation at WP.29.

3. If the Parties agree that the newly adopted UN Regulation does not significantly diverge from the original joint draft referred to in paragraph 2, each Party shall accept type approvals granted pursuant to that new UN Regulation as from the date specified in that UN Regulation and include it in the list of Appendix 2-C-1. In case of disagreement between the Parties, the rights and obligations of the 1958 Agreement shall apply.

ARTICLE 8

Ceasing to apply UN Regulations

1. In exceptional circumstances where a Party intends to cease applying a UN Regulation listed in Appendix 2-C-1 or 2-C-2, that Party shall notify its intention to the other Party. This notification shall be done one year in advance of the date on which the application of the UN Regulation would cease.

2. Before ceasing to apply a UN Regulation, a Party shall engage in a dialogue with the other Party to explore alternative actions or measures available under the 1958 Agreement.

3. After a Party has explained duly substantiated reasons, that Party may decide to cease applying a UN Regulation in accordance with the 1958 Agreement.