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Subject:	<i>Preparation of the Council meeting (<u>Transport</u>, Telecommunication and Energy) on 10 June 2013</i> Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 1999/37/EC on the registration documents for vehicles - <i>General approach</i>
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I. Introduction

The proposal for a Directive on the registration documents for vehicles amending Council Directive 1999/37/EC is part of the "roadworthiness package", together with the Regulation on periodic roadworthiness tests for motor vehicles and their trailers and the Regulation on the technical roadside inspection of the roadworthiness of commercial vehicles circulating in the Union. The "roadworthiness package" was submitted to the Council on 13 July 2012.

The objective of this proposal is to lay down updated harmonised rules on the registration documents of vehicles subject to roadworthiness tests and roadside inspections, with a view to enhancing road safety and environmental protection, as well as for ensuring fair competition in the transport sector. The proposal aims at contributing to reach the target of a reduction of road fatalities by half until 2020 as laid down in the Policy Orientations on Road Safety 2011-2020. It will also contribute to the reduction of administrative burdens regarding the procedure of withdrawal of registration for technically dangerous vehicles and ease the exchange of information between Member States with regard to vehicle related information kept in national registers.

II. Work within the Council

The Working Party on Land Transport (hereinafter referred to as the "Working Group") examined the impact assessment accompanying the roadworthiness package on 7 and 14 September 2012. The examination of the proposal on the registration documents started on 13 May 2013 and was concluded on 28 May 2013.

The recitals of this proposal were not yet examined by the Working Party. They will be examined at a later stage taking into account the result of the examination of the articles.

On 5 June 2013, the draft general approach was examined by Coreper. The Presidency took note of the delegations comments with a view to proposing a compromise text to the next meeting of the TTE Council. During this Coreper meeting, the outstanding issues were solved. The changes in the Annex to this report compared to the previous document (doc. 10206/13) examined at the last Coreper meeting are indicated in **bold** and ~~striketrough~~ in the document.

OUTSTANDING ISSUES

UK has a parliamentary scrutiny reservation on the proposal, which however could be lifted before the Council meeting.

The Commission has also indicated it has a general reservation on the proposal, while waiting for the EP's vote at first reading, and on some specific issues of the Presidency compromise proposal, which also appear in the footnotes of the Annex.

III. Conclusion

The Council is invited to examine the text as set out in the Annex to this report with a view to adopting a general approach at its meeting on 10 June 2013.
