Japanese Policy and contribution to the International Activities on Automated Driving

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Significances of Automated Driving

Realization of automated driving is expected to significantly decrease traffic accidents caused by drivers’ error. Providing mobility for elderlies and overcoming challenges in professional driver shortage will also be expected.

Cause of fatal traffic accidents per type of law-violation (2018)

- 95%: Driver’s violation
- 5%: Pedestrian and others

Example: Effects of automated driving

- Reduction of traffic accidents
- Providing mobility for elderlies
- Measure against aging population and productivity improvement
- Strengthening international competitiveness

Number of traffic deaths/injuries (2019)

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Levels of Automated Driving

- **Level 1**: Driving assistance
  - Such as automated braking, staying on the lane, and cruise control

- **Level 2**: Conditional automated driving function (combination of level 1)
  - Such as following the preceding vehicle while staying on the lane

- **Level 3**: Conditional automated driving
  - System performs full driving but the driver needs to respond to request such as that for intervention from the system

- **Level 4**: Conditional full automated driving
  - System performs full driving under certain conditions

- **Level 5**: Full automated driving
  - System performs full driving

*Conditional automated driving function (higher function)*
- Such as overtaking slow vehicles on highway

*Driving assistance*
- Such as automated braking, staying on the lane, and cruise control
Government’s strategy for the realization of automated driving

- **By 2020**
  - Development/demonstration
  - Automated driving on general roads [L2]

- **Early 2020s**
  - Development/demonstration
  - Automated driving on expressways [L2, L3]
  - Sophisticated driving safety support system (tentative name)

- **Circa 2025**
  - Popularization
  - Fully automated driving on expressways [L4]
  - Popularity / expansion
  - Reduction of traffic accidents
  - Alleviation of traffic congestion
  - Strengthening of industrial competitiveness

**Logistics service**

- Development/demonstration
- Truck platooning on expressways [L2 and above]
- Unmanned autonomous driving delivery service in specified areas
- Fully automated driving trucks on expressways [L4]

**Transport service**

- Field operational test on public roads
  - Remote type
  - Underpopulated areas etc.
- Automated driving buses on expressways [L2, L3]
- Unmanned autonomous driving transport system in specified areas [L4]
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  - *Expansion of target areas, ODDs, and the contents and scope of services*

**Society that enables the elderly to freely move around the country**
- Innovative streamlining of logistics responding to the era of population decrease
Guideline regarding Safety Technology for automated driving

**Vehicles subject to the Guideline**

Passenger cars, trucks, and busses with a level 3 or 4 automated driving system

**Basic stance on safety of automated vehicles**

- The Guideline sets the objective of development and practical application of automated vehicles as such that “realizing a society in which occurrence of accidents resulting in injury or death caused by the automated driving system is reduced to zero
- Towards the realization of the objective, the Guideline defines vehicle safety concept to be satisfied by automated vehicles as such that “automated driving systems, under their operational design domain (ODD), shall not cause any traffic accidents resulting in injury or death that are rationally foreseeable and preventable” and establishes vehicle safety elements and their requirements based on the vehicle safety concept.

**Vehicle safety elements for Automated Vehicles (10 elements)**

Automated vehicles should meet the following requirements to ensure safety:

(i) Establishment of operational design domain (ODD)
(ii) Safety of automated driving system
(iii) Compliance with safety regulations, etc.
(iv) Human Machine Interface (HMI)
(v) Mounting of a data recording device
(vi) Cyber security
(vii) Safety of vehicles for unmanned automated driving transportation service (additional requirements)
(viii) Safety evaluation
(ix) Ensuring safety in use process
(x) Provision of information to users of automated driving vehicles

* The Guideline will be reviewed as necessary based on the development of technology and international standards, etc.
Amendment to a national law for the realization of automated driving

Government’s goals

- Automated driving of Level 3 on expressways (around 2020)
- Unmanned autonomous driving transport services (Level 4) in specified areas (by 2020)

To realize these goals, it is necessary to make national laws compatible with automated driving

Amendment to Road Vehicle Law (Passed and enacted in May 2019)

- "Automated driving system*” added to systems subject to Safety Regulations for motor vehicles *Applicable to automated driving of Level 3 and Level 4
  - Specific details of the technical requirements will be adopted domestically in view of the discussions at WP.29

- The conditions under which each of the automated driving system is used (ODD) shall be respectively designated by MLIT.
  - MLIT ensures safety by limiting the conditions of use of automated driving system such as speed, route, and weather.
  - MLIT shall confirm the appropriateness of the ODD defined by automakers, etc. as well as their compliance with safety regulations of automated driving system.
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Benefits of International harmonized regulation activity

Governments
- More efficient rulemaking process
- Streamlined examination process for certification

Automakers, etc.
- Development, certification and production costs reduction through unification of vehicle design specifications and standardization of parts
- Global and flexible supply chains
- More resources to the development of safety and environmental technologies

Harmonization of Regulations

Motor Vehicle Users
- Safer and more environmentally-friendly vehicles
- Accessible vehicle prices
the G7 countries reaffirmed their commitment to identify and remove potential barriers to the introduction of automated guidance technology and to connect to existing regulation systems at international and country levels.

The Joint Declaration names WP29 as a forum for such cooperation at international level.
Organization of WP29

The United Nations

The U.N. Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)

World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29)

Automated driving (GRVA)

General safety (GRSG)

Passive safety (GRSP)

Lighting (GRE)

Noise and tyres (GRBP)

Pollution and energy (GRPE)
At the United Nations WP29 (World Forum for Harmonization of Automobile Standards) in June 2019, the framework document on automated/autonomous vehicles created by Japan with the United States and Europe, etc. was established.([ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2019/34/Rev.1])

### Outline of the Framework Document

#### Safety Vision
“an automated/autonomous vehicle shall not cause any non-tolerable risk”, meaning that automated/autonomous vehicle systems, under their automated mode ([ODD/OD]), shall not cause any traffic accidents resulting in injury or death that are reasonably foreseeable and preventable.

#### Key issues and principles to be considered by WP29 subsidiary bodies as a priority

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Japan will continue contributing the discussion of specific requirements at each GR and informal working groups.

Reference: Deliberative system for international regulations on automated driving technology

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