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To the Members of the European Parliament
Committee on Transport and Tourism (TRAN)
European Parliament
Rue Wiertz 60
1047 Brussels
Belgium

Subject: Call to include motorcycles in the General Safety Regulation regarding Event Data Recorders (EDR)

Dear Members of the European Parliament,

I would like to draw your attention to an important gap in current European traffic safety legislation. At present, motorcycles are excluded from the General Safety Regulation (EU 2019/2144), which means there is no harmonized requirement for the use of Event Data Recorders (EDRs) on two-wheeled motor vehicles.

Although various market- and manufacturer-specific solutions exist, such as ECU-based logging, dealer-accessible systems, and track-oriented data loggers, these are isolated, brand-specific implementations. As a result, there is no uniform legal or technical framework. This leads to:

- Limited availability of objective data after traffic accidents,
- Unequal access to essential information for investigators, police, insurers, and victims,
- A missed opportunity to substantially improve road safety for motorcyclists through data analysis.

Motorcyclists are among the most vulnerable road users in the EU. Excluding these vehicles from the General Safety Regulation runs counter to the ambitions of Vision Zero and the commitment to significantly reduce fatalities and serious injuries in road traffic.

I therefore urge you to:

1. Advocate within the TRAN Committee and the European Parliament for an amendment to the General Safety Regulation so that motorcycles fall under the scope of the EDR requirement,
2. Promote the development of a harmonized European standard for EDR systems on motorcycles,

3. Ensure that this standard addresses privacy, accessibility, and interoperability, so that all relevant parties (manufacturers, research institutes, police, insurers) have responsible access to the data.

A European framework for EDRs in motorcycles would not only be a major step forward in road safety, but also in transparency, legal certainty, and equal treatment of road users.

Yours sincerely,

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