Question for written answer E-004292/2012 to the Commission Rule 117 Linda McAvan (S&D)

Subject: Results of investigation into higher ticket prices for non-Maltese EU citizens on Maltese

public transport

Following on from my question E-005129/2011, I understand that the above charges are now in force in Malta and that non-residents are being charged higher ticket prices than registered residents.

The Commission has previously indicated that its intention is to ensure that the bus fare scheme is non-discriminatory and proportionate, in line with the principles of the Treaty and of ECJ case-law.

Can the Commission indicate the current status of any bilateral discussions with the Maltese authorities on this subject? Can it provide information on the results and findings of its assessment and analysis in 2011? What action does it plan to take in this regard?

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