Question for written answer E-007170/2014 to the Commission Rule 130 Jozo Radoš (ALDE)

Subject: Keeping drivers informed about road closures

In the evening of Thursday,18 September 2014 the Karawanks Tunnel on the border between Austria and Slovenia was closed to traffic heading south. There was a long tailback of cars and goods vehicles at the closed tunnel. The diversion signs merely led vehicles back to the motorway to Austria. Beyond that point there was no more information about alternative routes. The fact that most of the drivers did not know where to go next made them waste a great deal of time and added to the cost of their journey.

- 1. Does the EU have regulations on routine closures of major international highways or on the matter of keeping drivers informed about alternative routes?
 - a. If there are no such EU regulations, is the Commission drawing up the necessary acts?
 - b. If there are such EU regulations, what penalties are imposed for their infringement?

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