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to the Commission**

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Subject: TTIP and the homologation of vehicles

In the context of the negotiations on the future Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP), the motor industry has demanded that the homologation and safety standards for vehicles be harmonised at a high level.

In the EU, vehicles undergo several tests (including crash tests) to ensure compliance with EU rules. These are mostly carried out by independent testing laboratories, whereas in the US the principle of self-certification prevails.

Can the Commission explain how its safety standards are going to be assessed in the future?

How does the Commission intend to guarantee that the successful EU system for the homologation of vehicles using independent third parties will remain in place? Should the TTIP include a clause on mutual recognition of different testing procedures?