Question for written answer E-004218/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Javier Couso Permuy (GUE/NGL)

Subject: Taking stock of the ban on fiscal discrimination in the Stabilisation and Association

Agreement with Montenegro

The purpose of the ban on fiscal discrimination between the EU and Montenegro, included in the Stabilisation and Association Agreement, is to prevent the penalisation of imports of goods and services. However, asymmetries – qualitative and quantitative – in the dimensions of both parties could, in themselves, lead to discrimination that could only be compensated with fiscal discrimination.

Does the Commission not take the view that banning fiscal discrimination benefits the EU and penalises Montenegro?

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