Question for written answer E-007062/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Franck Proust (PPE)

Subject: Revision of Regulation (EC) No 868/2004 in the Aviation Package

In an effort to support air carriers in the wake of the aviation sector's 2001 crisis, the Commission published Regulation (EC) 868/2004 on protection against subsidisation and unfair pricing practices causing injury to Community air carriers in the supply of air services from countries not members of the European Community.

The regulation came into force in 2004 but has never actually been applied. Representatives of the aviation sector emphasise that the regulation is not well suited to the specific nature of the sector and that is difficult to apply.

In July 2013 the Commission launched a consultation on the possible revision of the regulation.

What was the outcome of this consultation?

Will changes to Regulation (EC) No 868/2004 be integrated into the Commission's next Aviation Package, which will be unveiled at the end of 2015?

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