

**Question for written answer E-004032/2016
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Use of monitoring equipment on vintage lorries for student trips

In Denmark there is a tradition of the year's new students being driven round in open lorries of early vintage, which for obvious reasons cannot have the latest technology for registering driving and rest times installed. Hitherto, these lorries have been allowed to be used under an exemption from the rules, but the Danish Government, referring to EU law, no longer intends to renew this exemption. This means that many hauliers will have to stop providing this service completely as the cost would simply be too high. It has now been brought to my notice that the relevant regulation allows for the possibility of the adoption of national exemptions, provided that the other Member States are notified.

Can the Commission confirm that Denmark may adopt its own rules for the use of monitoring equipment in old lorries, provided the other Member States are notified of this?