Question for written answer E-006922/2016 to the Commission Rule 130 Doru-Claudian Frunzulică (S&D)

Subject: Protests against the mandatory liability insurance rates

Romanian transporters protested nationwide on 12 September 2016 against the increases in the mandatory liability insurance (RCA) rates. The employers' associations – UNTRR, APTE 2002, FORT, ARTRI and APULUM – are asking for the RCA tariffs to be frozen at the average level of the Milliman report. The transporters then announced another large-scale countrywide protest for 15 September 2016. In response, the government announced on 14 September that the RCA tariffs would be frozen for the next six months, even though the insurance companies argued that any RCA price freeze policies would violate EU directives, in particular the Solvency II Directive which came into force on 1 January 2016. They believe that the pressure from the transporters is also detrimental to the proper functioning of the mandatory liability insurance market, with a negative socio-economic impact on both the insured parties and the insurance companies, which are registered operators in Romania.

Could the Commission give recommendations on how to better transpose the Solvency II Directive at national level in order to avoid a negative impact on the insurance companies and those insured?

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