Question for written answer P-000171/2017 to the Commission Rule 130 Ivan Jakovčić (ALDE) and Jozo Radoš (ALDE)

Subject: Slovenia threatens to create difficulties for tourists travelling to Croatia

In a recent interview broadcast on Slovenian television, Karl Erjavec, the country's Minister of Foreign Affairs, announced that tourists travelling from Germany and Austria to Croatia would face problems. This, according to the Minister, was intended to do harm to Croatia, which earns around 20% of its GDP from tourism, with the majority of tourists arriving in Croatia from Germany and Austria. Furthermore, given that this is a threat to impede the free movement of people, goods and services – which are fundamental values of the EU – I should like to put the following questions to Violeta Bulc, Commissioner for Transport:

Does Slovenia have the right to impede the free movement of people, goods and services in such a way on account of unresolved bilateral issues?

What will the Commission do to prevent such inappropriate and unacceptable conduct among the Member States concerning the free movement of people, goods and services?

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