

WRITTEN QUESTION E-3556/07
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to the Commission

Subject: Free circulation of goods - automobiles

Does the European Commission intend to carry out an inventory of the obstacles encountered during private sales of second-hand vehicles?

A number of administrative, fiscal or technical procedures can be regarded as obstacles to the free circulation of goods (vehicles) when a vehicle originating from another Member State is purchased.

Moreover, many vehicles with falsified data (false registration papers, altered mileometers, etc.) make their way onto the second-hand market through showrooms or organised networks, without national administrations being able to carry out checks or consumers having any possibility of legal recourse.

Does the High-Level Group Car21 intend to draw up recommendations on the matter?