WRITTEN QUESTION E-6964/08 by Petru Filip (PPE-DE) to the Commission

Subject: Threefold increase in first registration tax for cars imported into Romania from other EU countries

As from 15 December 2008, the environment tax on second-hand cars imported from other EU countries and registered for the first time in Romania is to be tripled in accordance with an urgent order issued by the Tăriceanu Government. This amendment to the legislation has met with strong opposition among public opinion in Romania and has created unjustified inequalities on the market.

What are the main measures proposed by the Commission to restore normality and abolish this tax, which does not comply with the relevant Community rules?

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