

WRITTEN QUESTION E-3538/09  
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to the Commission

Subject: Aid to the Swedish press

One of the Commission's most important tasks as guardian of the Treaty, particularly during the current period in which demands are being made for various forms of State aid, is to ensure that there is no distortion of the market.

One example of selective and directly distorting aid which the Commission is currently investigating is aid to the Swedish press.

Principally, aid to the Swedish press has a national effect within Sweden but its impact also extends to both Denmark and Norway. At the present time, a Danish newspaper printing company is at risk of going under partly because of the distortion brought about by aid to the Swedish press.

What measures will the Commission take to ensure that fair competition prevails?