Question for written answer E-002875/2021 to the Commission Rule 138

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Subject: Details of the Commission's compliance verification testing of the Smart Kids Belt (SKB)

product

I would like to express my thanks for the answer to my previous question (P-001263/2021). I am convinced that the Commission is sticking to its transparency rules.

Nevertheless, as a matter of ensuring the proper flow of information and of citizens' understanding of the EU's activity, I would like to ask for clarifications on the timing and details of the steps the Commission has undertaken. From my official correspondence with interested parties from Poland, I have heard the argument that the Commission had conducted relevant tests on 4 and 5 June 2020, in other words before it reached out to the Polish type approval authority and before it informed them about the ongoing verification (10 June 2020). The Polish institution therefore was not able to participate in the verification as an observer, nor could it respond to the concerns raised.

- 1. Could the Commission confirm or deny this information and inform me what such a procedure would normally look like?
- 2. I have also been informed that the UN and the Commission should use mannequin type Q to perform these kinds of tests and not mannequin type P, which I was told had been the case in this procedure. Is this true and could the Commission respond on this aspect of the procedure?