Question for written answer E-003890/2022 to the Commission Rule 138 Daniel Caspary (PPE)

Subject: Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM)

Since the Commission presented the proposal for the CBAM Regulation in July 2021, the geopolitical situation of the EU has changed dramatically resulting in an unprecedented energy crisis in Europe. High inflation, war on the European continent and soaring energy costs affect European citizens and businesses alike and will lead to a loss of competitiveness for European industries. Introducing the CBAM now could aggravate this further.

- 1. Is the Commission planning a new assessment of its proposal in the light of the changed circumstances and is it planning to delay the introduction of the CBAM?
- 2. If so, what timelines does the Commission envision?
- 3. If it plans to introduce the CBAM now, how does the Commission justify the additional burden on the affected European industries given the critical environment in which businesses are currently operating?

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