Question for written answer E-003178/2023 to the Commission Rule 138 Benoît Lutgen (PPE)

Subject: Electric car design

The EU has recently set itself the target of renewing 100% of its car fleet through the transition to electric cars. This issue is much debated, not least because electric cars are currently heavier, but also because they are more likely to be SUVs (and thus higher).

The renewal of the fleet could be an opportunity to increase car safety standards, keeping in mind, in particular, the idea of roads being public spaces that are shared with vulnerable users. This could also feed into new car design standards.

In view of the above:

- 1. Does the Commission plan to establish design standards for cars registered in Europe?
- 2. Does it plan to introduce restrictions on the power and weight of private cars?
- 3. In general, does Europe support research and innovation, including in the field of marketing, to make other types of cars desirable?

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