Question for written answer E-003255/2023 to the Commission

Rule 138

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Subject: CPAP machine regulation and medical equipment ID tags

CPAP (continuous positive airway pressure) machines are medical devices used to treat sleep apnoea, a condition in which a person's breathing is repeatedly interrupted during sleep.

CPAP machines are an essential medical device that users have to carry with them when travelling by air within the EU.

However, when travelling in the EU, luggage policies for CPAP machines vary from one airline to another.

- 1. Does the Commission plan to develop standardised rules regarding CPAP machines as permitted extra carry-on baggage for airline passengers when travelling within the EU?
- 2. Are there any plans or initiatives to develop a standardised medical equipment identification tag for CPAP machines and other similar medical devices?

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