Question for written answer E-003406/2023 to the Commission Rule 138 Johan Nissinen (ECR)

Subject: Proposal to update the End-of-Life Vehicles (ELV) Directive by means of a binding regulation

There is a risk of major consequences for hundreds of thousands of Swedish car owners as a result of the Commission's proposal to update the ELV Directive by means of a binding regulation. Among other things, vehicle ownership would be ended and power given to authorities instead. No account is taken of the purpose for which a vehicle is used by its owner, meaning that many cars risk being scrapped.

Vintage cars are a cultural treasure in Sweden and something that is difficult to put a specific market value on; they have great sentimental value, however.

The Commission should review the legislation very carefully and inter alia answer the following questions:

- 1. Does the Commission not believe that every car owner knows best what the purpose of their vehicle is?
- 2. Does the Commission see any risk that the legislation would destroy Sweden's rich heritage of vintage cars?
- 3. Is there any possibility for the Commission to propose flexible legislation, rather than one-sizefits-all legislation across the EU, which takes account of local cultures and customs?

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