Priority question for written answer P-003360/2020
to the Commission
Rule 138
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Subject: Euro 7/VII regulations

The Commission has begun work on the Euro 7/VII pollutant emission regulations for future vehicles. The objective of these new regulations must be clear and any measures taken at EU level must respect the principles of proportionality and subsidiarity laid out in the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.

1. Does the Commission agree that the positive impact on ambient air quality of the Euro 6/VI and climate-related regulations must first be assessed to determine the need for a new EU regulation?

2. If an assessment shows that these new regulations make a difference, would it agree that more locally targeted measures may be more effective, including accelerated fleet renewal?

3. Considering that the business model and production system of trucks and buses is very different from that of cars, can it confirm whether any new regulations would address different vehicle sectors separately and appropriately if the new Euro 7/VII regulations were justified?

4. In order to help the wider automotive sector recover from the COVID-19 crisis and support the aims of the European Green Deal, can it share the EU’s plans to support the industry to make appropriate investments?