The Commission is fully aware and deeply regrets the difficulties encountered by the EU fleet, and in particular by pole-and-line tuna vessels in the context of the implementation of the Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the EU and Senegal.

Numerous meetings have been held, both at technical and political levels, between the Commission, the EU Delegation in Dakar and the Senegalese authorities to find solutions that would allow pole-and-line vessels to resume their activities. As a result of these efforts, all fishing vessels have now finally received their fishing authorisations.

The report of Parliament’s legal service has not been shared with the Commission and we cannot make any assessment of the analysis therein. However, the Commission services are analysing and looking into the feasibility of granting compensations to the EU fleet prevented to fish because of the late issuance of the fishing authorisations.