

**Question for written answer E-002082/2024/rev.1
to the Commission**

Rule 144

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Subject: The CJEU judgment and the ‘return of vehicles’ provision in the Mobility Package

On 4 October 2024 the Court of Justice of the EU handed down its judgment in Joined Cases C-541/20 to C-555/20, *Lithuania and Others v Parliament and Council*, which concern the EU Mobility Package.

This judgment broadly confirms the Mobility Package, but annuls the obligation requiring vehicles to return every eight weeks to the operational centre of the transport undertaking.

The court argues that Parliament and the Council had not established that they had sufficient information at their disposal when the measure was adopted to enable them to assess its proportionality. This is a procedural argument, rather than an argument against the measure itself.

The ‘return of vehicles’ provision was a core element of the Mobility Package, and an important tool to combat unfair competition by preventing the proliferation of letterbox companies in the road transport sector.

1. What action is the Commission envisaging in order to address the situation arising from the annulment of the ‘return of vehicles’ provision?
2. Has the Commission considered conducting a study on the practical effects and benefits of this measure between the date of its application and the date of its annulment?
3. What avenues are there for reinstating this measure or a similar one?

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