Question for written answer E-001081/2024 to the Commission Rule 138 Isabella Adinolfi (PPE)

Subject: Verifying compatibility of Italy's restrictions on private hire vehicles with EU law

In Italy, non-scheduled public transport, including taxi and private hire vehicle (PHV) services, is regulated by Law 21/1992. This legislation was amended by Decree-Law No 135/2018, subsequently converted into Law 12/2019. In particular, paragraph 6 of Article 10a of that decree-law provides that, as of the decree-law's entry into force and until the establishment of the national public computer database of businesses provided for in paragraph 3 thereof, no new licences for PHVs (whether passenger cars, three-wheelers or boats) are to be issued. It set a deadline of one year for the Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport to issue the decree to establish the database, but, after five years, new licences continue to be blocked.

This appears to run counter to the rights and principles established by the European Union, in particular Articles 15 and 16 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union. In view of the above:

- 1. Is the Commission aware of the restrictions on issuing new licences for PHVs imposed by Italian law?
- 2. Does it consider these restrictions to run counter to Articles 15 and 16 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union?

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