

**Question for written answer P-000827/2019
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Discrimination against Italian nationals driving vehicles with foreign licence plates

Italy has recently adopted Law 132 of 1 December 2018 introducing an amendment to traffic legislation that forbids Italian nationals resident in Italy for over 60 days from driving vehicles registered abroad. Italian citizens stopped while at the wheel of a foreign-registered vehicle can therefore expect to incur a hefty fine. However, in border areas in particular, Italians resident in Italy may be working or studying in a neighbouring country – where they are obliged to register their vehicles, which accordingly have foreign licence plates.

1. Does this new law effectively discriminate against Italian nationals who have purchased an automobile in another Member State where they are working or studying – in line with their right to freedom of establishment and free movement of persons?
2. Is this new legislation in fact compatible with free movement of persons and freedom of establishment in the European Union?
3. If so, how does the Commission intend to end this discrimination against Italian citizens?