

**Priority question for written answer P-000029/2024
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Decision to grant Bulgaria and Romania access to Schengen by air and water – crossings at the Oryahovo–Bechet and Silistra–Călăraș river crossing points

Following the decision by the Council of the European Union to grant Bulgaria and Romania access to Schengen by air and water from 31 March 2024:

will checks and border controls on passengers, goods, light vehicles and heavy goods vehicles be abolished as of 31 March 2024 at the Oryahovo (Bulgaria) – Bechet (Romania) and Silistra (Bulgaria) – Călărași (Romania) crossing points and at all the other ports on the Danube serving as crossing points between Bulgaria and Romania, where the crossing is made on water by means of a ferry?

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