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Subject: 'War tax' on trade with Russia

After the start of the Russian war of aggression against Ukraine, the EU adopted a number of sanctions against Russia. While many EU companies left Russia and cut any economic ties with the aggressor, there is still a considerable amount of trade going on between Russia and the EU. It is estimated that approximately USD 200 billion are added annually to the Russian budget from trade with the EU and the G7 countries. As a full embargo on Russian trade is still unlikely, any goods and services bought from or sold to Russia could be taxed. The money raised from this tax could go towards the reconstruction of Ukraine. The tax could be gradually raised to encourage western companies to reduce or stop trade with Russia on their own.

What does the Commission think about the possibility of introducing a 'war tax' on the remaining trade with Russia?

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