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Consultation on the second draft of the new de minimis Regulation replacing Regulation No 875/2007
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Invitation to submit comments on the draft Commission regulation on the application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union to de minimis aid in the fishery and aquaculture sector
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New legislation

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All public consultations: DG Competition
DG Agriculture
DG Maritime Affairs and Fisheries

Simplified Procedure: notification summaries

Invitation to comment on simplified procedure cases
The summaries of aid measures notified under the Notice on a Simplified Procedure for the treatment of certain types of State aid have been prepared by the Member States under their responsibility. The Commission can therefore not be held responsible for any incorrect or misleading information contained therein. Observations raising competition issues relating to the notified measure must reach the Commission no later than 10 working days following the date of the publication of a summary of notification. The submission shall include a non confidential version of the observations. For more information, click here

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Pilot scheme for purchase of electric vehicles-amendment to include further types of environmentally friendly vehicles

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**Case number**: SA.37356  
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## Decisions to open formal investigation

### 1. Decisions taken by the Commission

- none -

### 2. Decisions pending OJ publication

[Click here to see the full list](#)

### 3. Decisions published in the OJ from 03.03.2014 to 03.04.2014 – Formal comments period running

*Where the last day of the public comments period falls on a public holiday in a Member State, the deadline for comments of parties residing in that Member State ends on the following working day.*

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## Final Commission decisions

### 1. Decisions taken by the Commission

#### 1.1. Decisions to close formal investigation

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1.2. No objection decisions
- none -

2. Public versions of decisions to close formal investigation*

* Since the OJ publication of no objection/no aid decisions follows very shortly their publication on the website, this section of the e-News focuses only on decisions to close formal investigations. For the latest texts of no objection/no aid decisions please look section 3 "Decisions published in the OJ".
- none -

3. Decisions published in the OJ

3.1. Decisions to close formal investigation
- none -

3.2. No objection decisions

* Decisions not to raise objections are frequently grouped together in one single document for publication in the Official Journal. Since the link can only be made to the top of the first page of the document, you may have to scroll down in the document to find a particular case.

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State Aid in the Transport Sector
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Studies and reports

Eurostat: February 2014 - Euro area unemployment rate at 11.9%. EU28 at 10.6%

The euro area (EA18) seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate was 11.9% in February 2014, stable since October 2013. It was 12.0% in February 2013. The EU28 unemployment rate was 10.6% in February 2014, down from 10.7% in January 2014. It was 10.9% in February 2013. These figures are published by Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union.

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Invitations to tender

- none -

Council of the European Union

- none -

Miscellanea

Prospects and challenges of the European shipping industry
Siim Kallas, Vice President of the European Commission
European Community Shipowners’ Association (ECSA) Seminar
Brussels, 2 April 2014
To read the full speech, click here

European Parliament votes to end roaming charges, expand consumer rights and make it easier to create better telecoms

European Parliament voted to end roaming charges by Christmas 2015, as part of a wider vote in support to the Commission’s proposed regulation for a "Connected Continent" (telecoms single market).

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