THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

SENATE



7th term

103rd RESOLUTION

OF THE SENATE

Delivered on the 4th session held on 28 January 2009

Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions
The impact of free movement of workers in the context of EU enlargement
- Report on the first phase (1 January 2007 – 31 December 2008) of the Transitional Arrangements set out in the 2005 Accession Treaty and as requested according to the Transitional Arrangement set out in the 2003 Accession Treaty

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The Senate

I.

- 1. **Welcomes** the conclusions set out in the Commission's report on the impact of free movement of workers in the context of EU enlargement;
- 2. **Advocates** liberalisation of movement of workers, one of core freedoms ensured in the EU, and measures aimed at enhancing professional mobility within the EU;

II.

- 1. **Considers** liberalisation of access of new Member States to labour market of old Member States to be also of a symbolic nature, with regard to the fact that the Commission's report did not prove any difficulties caused to the labour markets of those Member States which have already decided to liberalize them; to the contrary, it ascertained positive influence of mobile workers on economic growth;
- 2. **Calls** upon the Commission as a guardian of adherence to Community law to assess carefully reasons given in support of prolongation of transitional periods for those Member States which acceded to the EU in 2004 for extra two years;

III.

- 1. **Requests** the Government to inform the Senate about the way this position was taken into account and to provide the Senate with information on further proceeding of negotiations;
- 2. **Authorises** the President of the Senate to forward this resolution to the European Commission.

Přemysl Sobotka sign manual President of the Senate

Ludmila Müllerová sign manual Senate Verifier