THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

SENATE



7th term

588th RESOLUTION

OF THE SENATE

Delivered on the 24th session held on 3 November 2010

on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions: Analysis of options to move beyond 20% greenhouse gas emission reductions and assessing the risk of carbon leakage

(Senate Press no. K 115/07)

The Senate

I.

Supports

conclusion of the new global agreement on elimination the negative impacts of climate changes for the period after 2012, that will stress development of technologies as a key future direction;

II.

1. Expresses the hope,

with regard to the outcome of negotiations at the Copenhagen conference in December 2009, that the conference in Cancun will bring a clearer outline of future realistic commitments of the participating countries;

2. Emphasizes

the importance of achieving a common position within the EU on these issues and supports the approach of intensive cooperation of the member states in order to identify effective solutions as a preparation for the next key meetings;

3. Is convinced

that any discussion on increasing the EU's commitment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions should be based on a thorough impact assessment for each member state prepared by the European Commission;

4. Is of the opinion

that since some sectors could be in danger if excessively ambitious commitments were adopted, future deliberations and measures taken on EU level in the area of greenhouse gas emissions reduction should include a possibility of different burdening for individual sectors in order to maintain the competitiveness of European economies to the rest of the world;

5. Believes

that investments in development of new technologies are of key importance to future reducing of greenhouse gas emissions;

III.

1. Requests

the government to inform the Senate about the way this position was taken into account, and about further initiatives following this Communication;

2. Authorises

the President of the Senate to forward this resolution to the European Commission.

Přemysl Sobotka sign manual President of the Senate

> Jana Juřenčáková sign manual Senate Verifier