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RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE

Delivered on the 17th session held on 15th August 2018

on the Proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council setting CO₂ emission performance standards for new heavy-duty vehicles /Senate Print no. N 146/11, COM(2018) 284/

The Senate

I.

1. Supports

the continual reduction of negative impact of heavy-duty vehicles on the environment;

2. Considers,

however, the proposed binding targets for reduction of CO₂ emission of new heavy-duty vehicles to be overly ambitious and insufficiently reflecting the technological and development aspects of production of these vehicles and therefore recommends, in accordance with the position of the Governments, to set:

a) for the period 2025-2029 a reduction target at maximum of 10 %;

b) for the year 2030 a reduction target either as an indicative, which will be subsequently adjusted on the basis of results of detailed revision, or already as a lower target at maximum of 20 %;

3. Points out

that the proposal again does not maintain technological neutrality particularly in case of definitions of zero and low-emission vehicles;

4. Agrees

with the benefit in form of "super-credits" for the manufacturers of zero or low-emission vehicles, which should serve as an incentive for the production of low-emission vehicles, and with the utilization of emission credits and debts system, which the Senate recommends to be made more flexible;

5. Emphasizes also

the need to adopt supporting and motivational measures focused on the renewal of car fleet which could also lead to reduction of road freight transport emissions;

II.

1. Requests

the Government to inform the Senate about the way this resolution was taken into account and about further development of negotiations once the political agreement of the required number of Member States on the main elements of the proposal is reached, or at an earlier time, should the results of negotiations in the Council begin to depart considerably from the position of the Czech Republic expressed in the General Position of the Government;

2. Authorises

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

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