

SENATE OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC 13^{TH} TERM

397th

RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE

Delivered on the 21st session held on 2nd March 2022

on the Package on EU own resources and Multiannual Financial Framework

Proposal for a Council Decision amending Decision (EU, Euratom) 2020/2053 on the system of own resources of the European Union /Senate Print no. N 151/13, COM(2021) 570/

Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2020/2093 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2021 to 2027 /Senate Print no. N 152/13, COM(2021) 569/

The Senate

I.

1. Supports

the position of the Government and its long-term effort to simplify the current way of financing the EU budget;

2. Does not consider

to be appropriate to introduce new own resource based on revenues generated from the auctioning of emission allowances, more precisely, if the resource will be introduced, the Senate supports lowering the 25% share proposed by the Commission, because the Senate is of the opinion that in the forthcoming demanding phase of green transformation, whose impacts on the Member States will not be even, is not acceptable to reduce financial resources which the Member States may use for this transformation:

3. Recalls

in this context, that the Member States may take into account their specific conditions when using the financial resources generated from auctioning of emission allowances, which is in compliance with the principle of subsidiarity;

4. However, perceives positively

that the Commission strives to reduce potential unfavourable impacts of this new resource on the lower-income and carbon-intensive Member States by introducing solidarity mechanism;

5. Agrees

on the contrary with the introduction of the new resource related to the taxation of residual profits of large multinational enterprises; regarding the increasing dominance of the online economy and technological giants, it is likely that the revenues based on this resource could significantly rise in the future;

6. Is of the opinion

that it will not be possible to introduce new resources by the envisaged date of 1 January 2023 because the Senate is convinced that thorough discussion, including also the potential impact of introducing new resources on the Member states, is necessary before their introduction;

7. Points out

that potential new own resources should not disproportionately burden less developed Member States;

8. Requests the Government

to inform the Senate about the final version of the Decision on the system of own resources before the Council will take a vote on its adoption, as the Government did in 2021 during the adoption of the amended proposal for a Decision on the own resources from 2020;

II.

1. Requests

the Government to inform the Senate by 30 June 2022 about the way this Resolution was taken into account, and about the further development of negotiations of both proposals;

2. Authorises

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

Miloš Vystrčil sign manual President of the Senate

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