

Parlamentul României Senat

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OPINION

of the ROMANIAN SENATE, on the

Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the list of travel documents entitling the holder to cross the external borders and which may be endorsed with a visa and on setting up a mechanism for establishing this list

COM (2010) 662 final

The Senate of Romania has checked the compliance with the subsidiarity and proportionality principles of the Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the list of travel documents entitling the holder to cross the external borders and which may be endorsed with a visa and on setting up a mechanism for establishing this list- COM (2010) 662 final, according to the provisions of the Treaty of Lisbon (protocol no.2).

Taking into account the report of our permanent Committee on Defence, Public Order and National Security, the Plenum of the Senate, during its session of the 22-nd of December 2010, has found that the mentioned proposal, elaborated according to Article 77(2)(e) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU), is compliant with the subsidiarity and proportionality principles, taking into consideration that the objective of setting up a mechanism to ensure that the list of travel documents issued by third countries is constantly updated, to establish a centralized mechanism for the technical assessment of such travel documents and to ensure that Member States express their position in relation to the recognition or non-recognition of the travel documents, cannot be reasonable reached by the Member States by themselves and does not exceed what is necessary to achieve this objective.

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