

Parlamentul României Senat

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OPINION of the SENATE of ROMANIA

on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council, Commission Interpretative Communication on the application of the accounting and prudential frameworks to facilitate EU bank lending Supporting businesses and households amid COVID-19

COM (2020) 169 final

The Romanian Senate examined the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council, Commission Interpretative Communication on the application of the accounting and prudential frameworks to facilitate EU bank lending Supporting businesses and households amid COVID-19 - COM (2020) 169 final ,according to the provisions of the Treaty of Lisbon (Protocol no. 1).

Taking into account the report of June 26, 2020 of the Committee for European Affairs, **the Plenum of the Senate**, during its session of June 30, 2020

1. Considers that:

- a) the mere creation of favorable conditions for loans does not determine neither the banks to grant them, nor the companies to borrow, as long as there is no demand for the respective goods and services. The European Union (especially the Euro zone) is already in the precrisis liquidity trap;
- b) in the short term, additional liquidity can help firms, but in the long-term measures are needed to reduce inequalities and stimulate demand, able to increase investor optimism and contribute to a fair Union.

p. President of the Senate Robert-Marius CAZANCIUC