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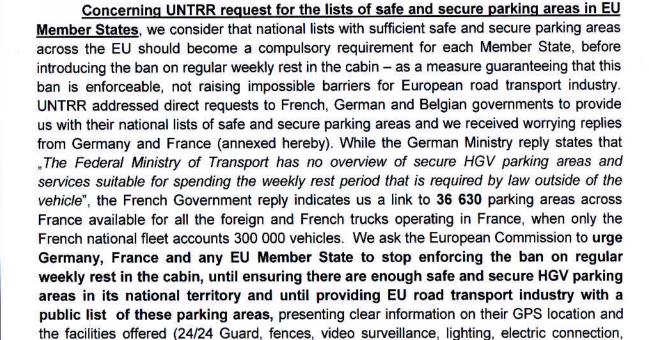
European Commission Mrs. Violeta BULC, Commissioner for Transport

Ref.: request for EC immediate intervention to stop French and Belgian abusive controls of regular weekly rest

Dear Mrs. Bulc,

dangerous goods accepted).

Thank you for your letter JF/ARES(2018)4464352 of 30.08.2018 concerning UNTRR interventions on the abusive controls of regular weekly rest in the cabin in France and Belgium. In this respect, please find attached the penalty reports imposed to 3 Romanian road hauliers in France and Belgium. We kindly ask the European Commission to undertake the necessary measures for the urgent clarification of French and Belgian procedures to control regular weekly rest and to stop the French and Belgian abusive controls against Romanian road hauliers.











Concerning the EC Study on Safe and Secure Parking Places for Trucks(SSTPA), I would like to thank you for your kind invitation to SSTPA Conference on 06 November 2018. Unfortunately I cannot attend it, as I will be at the IRU World Congress in Oman, 06-08 November 2018. However, please be informed that UNTRR has been actively involved in SSTPA, together with the IRU and we trust that the results of this study will support the European Commission's decision concerning the enforcement of the ban of regular weekly rest in the cabin only when there are sufficient safe and secure truck parking areas in all the EU Member States. This year, an UNTRR team went to parking areas in Romania, Hungary, Austria, Germany, the Netherlands, France and Belgium for one week and discussed with more than 100 professional drivers about the parking conditions in the EU, distributing them SSTPA questionnaires. The drivers have complained that parking areas are unsafe and unsecure, saying they disagree with the ban on spending the regular weekly rest period (45 hours) in the cabin and expressing their opinions concerning the return home. UNTRR film "The truck's cabin is the 2nd house" presents our discussions with the professional drivers who replied to SSTPA questionnaires. In the film, UNTRR representative also mentions the SSTPA questionnaires for EC survey. UNTRR film with YouTube available English subtitles is https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=22q4hyRoNvI&feature=youtu.be Facebook and https://www.facebook.com/untrr/videos/2143847405840180/.

Expressing our trust in your urgent interventions, we remain at your disposal for any further information.

Yours sincerely,

Secretary General Radu DINESCU