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On 26 October 2016 the Committee on Environment, Environmental Properties and the Land adopted a positive opinion with the following recommendations:

- 1) concerning the level of decrease of greenhouse gases required of each country, the possibility should be considered to use a less inaccurate index than per capita GDP, e.g. by taking into account how much a part of a country's GDP is produced through environment-friendly technologies and renewable energies;
- 2) it should also be considered that non ETS sectors, like housing and transportation, offer more leeway in terms of the potential for lower energy consumption.

With respect to the Italian context, the Government was urged to:

- 1) involve Parliament and non-ETS industries in a transformation towards a circular economy, enhanced energy efficiency and savings;
- 2) monitor the outcome of such change, after regulations are amended with a view to achieving such goals;
- 3) maintain a close dialogue with non-ETS enterprises, in order to propose policies to boost their competitiveness;
- 4) encourage the European Union to seize the opportunities of a necessary, gradual decarbonization process and encourage third Countries to promptly and substantively reduce emissions.

On 28 September 2016 the Committee on European Union Policies adopted a resolution where doubts are expressed on the compliance of the proposal with the proportionality principle with respect to the reduction targets set for member States.