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Antitrust: consumer welfare at heart of Commission fight against abuses by dominant undertakings
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BA and Quantas in merger discussions
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Brussels to make State aid rules more flexible
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Ad hoc Article 133 Committee (Services) - Revised notice of meeting and provisional agenda on 3 December 2008

Council Regulation (EC) No 1193/2008 of 1 December 2008 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty and collecting definitively the provisional duties imposed on imports of citric acid originating in the People's Republic of China
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Commission Decision of 2 December 2008 accepting the undertakings offered in connection with the anti-dumping proceeding concerning imports of citric acid originating in the People's Republic of China
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Council Regulation (EC) No 1167/2008 of 24 October 2008 amending and updating Regulation (EC) No 1334/2000 setting up a Community regime for the control of exports of dual-use items and technology
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Commissioner Ashton says remaining DDA issues solvable (See the [Speech](#))

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Communication of the Commission to the Council, the European Parliament, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions: Action Plan on e-signatures and e-identification to facilitate the provision of cross-border public services in the Single Market ([Com 2008-0798](#))

Commission communication in the framework of the implementation of the Directive [94/25/EC](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States relating to recreational craft
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Commissioner Hübner hails impact of European Cohesion Policy in Southern Italy ([IP/08/1876](#))

€10.7 million from EU Globalisation Fund to help redundant workers in Spain and Lithuania ([IP/08/1859](#))

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Communication of the Commission to the Council, the European Parliament, the European Economic and Social Committee on a coordinated strategy to improve the fight against VAT fraud in the European Union ([Com 2008-0807](#))

Proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive [2006/112/EC](#) on the common system of value added tax as regards tax evasion linked to import and other cross-border transactions ([Com 2008-0805](#))

Council [Conclusions](#) on taxation of savings income in the form of interest payments

French presidency hoping for signal from European Council on applying reduced VAT rates to certain services

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Fencing in Europe's farmers

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