

COMPETITION

According to *Advocate General Cruz Villalón*, the **Charter of Fundamental Rights** does **not prevent** the **Commission**, when it has **found** there to be a **cartel**, from **claiming compensation** before the **national courts** for **loss sustained** by the **EU** in its **capacity** as a **customer** (*Case C-199/11*)

Prior *notification* of a concentration
(Case COMP/M.6570 - **UPS/TNT Express**)

Prior *notification* of a concentration
(Case COMP/M.6620 - **Platinum Equity /Caterpillar Logistics Services**)

Commission clears **acquisition** of US-based **SPX' Service Solutions Business** by **Robert Bosch** (*IP/12/693*)

Commission approves **acquisition** of computer distributor **Altimate** by rival **Arrow** (*IP/12/692*)

Commission clears **joint control** of **marine fuels trading joint venture**
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Commission clears **acquisition** of **Alix Partners** by **CVC**
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Commission clears **acquisition** of **K+S AG's nitrogen fertiliser business** by **EuroChem**
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Commission approuves la **prise** de **participation** de **Naxicap Partners** au capital d'**Accent Jobs For People**
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The **Spanish CNC** has opened an *investigation* into **3 producers** of **CO2** for **drinks**

STATE AID

Commission approves **extension** of **UK credit easing scheme**
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Commission approves **prolongation** of the **Danish bank support schemes**
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TRADE & CUSTOMS

Notice of the **impending expiry** of certain **anti-dumping measures** (Ferro-silicon - P.R. of China, Egypt, Kazakhstan and Russia - Anti-dumping duty - 1.3.2013)

Council Implementing **Regulation** (EU) No *540/2012* of **21 June 2012** amending **Regulation** (EC) No *954/2006* imposing a **definitive anti-dumping duty** on **imports** of certain **seamless pipes and tubes**, of **iron or steel** originating in **Croatia, Romania, Russia and Ukraine**

Commission Regulation (EU) No *548/2012* of **25 June 2012** initiating an **investigation** concerning the **possible circumvention** of **anti-dumping measures** imposed by **Council Regulation** (EC) No *1458/2007* on **imports** of **gas-fuelled, non-refillable pocket flint lighters** originating in the **People's Republic of China** by **imports** of **gas-fuelled, non-refillable pocket flint lighters** consigned from **Vietnam**, whether **declared** as **originating** in **Vietnam** or **not**, and **making** such **imports** **subject to registration**

Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No [541/2012](#) of **21 June 2012** terminating the **interim review** of the **anti-dumping measures** concerning **imports of furfuraldehyde** originating in the **People's Republic of China** and **repealing those measures**

EU signs **comprehensive trade agreement** with **Colombia** and **Peru** ([IP/12/690](#) & [Highlights](#) of the FTA)

EU and **Vietnam** launch **negotiations** for a **comprehensive FTA** ([IP/12/689](#))

The EU and **Vietnam** to sign **Partnership and Cooperation Agreement** (PCA) ([IP/12/691](#))

EU trade talks **progress** may trigger **Vietnam investment revival**
[EU Briefing 25-26.06.2012](#) ([thanhniennews](#))

India to talk **retail FDI** at **EU free-trade meet**
[EU Briefing 25-26.06.2012](#) ([dnaindia.com](#))

China rejects **EU accusations** on **Huawei, ZTE subsidies**
[EU Briefing 25-26.06.2012](#) ([Reuters](#))

« **WTO university chairs** are [strengthening](#) their **roles** as **trade-reference points** » by **Pascal Lamy**

INTERNAL MARKET & GENERAL

Council agrees on [further elements](#) of **new EU cohesion policy**

Michel Barnier welcomes the **agreement** reached on an **international treaty** for the **protection of artists** in the **audiovisual sector** ([Memo/12/490](#))

Danube Strategy: Commissioner **Hahn** visits **Danube region** from **27 June** to **1 July** to **take stock of progress** ([IP/12/687](#))

FINANCE & TAXATION

Solvency II: Data Impacts on **Asset Management** (Read Efama [Press release](#) & [Report](#))

ESMA publishes its [first Annual Report](#)

ESMA proposes [rules](#) on **derivatives, central counterparties** and **trade repositories**

INDUSTRY, ENTERPRISES, RESEARCH

Unleashing the **huge potential** of **key enabling technologies** for **jobs** ([IP/12/685](#) & [Memo/12/484](#))

Drug firms urge **price action**
[Wall Street Journal Europe 26.06.2012 p.6](#)

AGRICULTURE & FISHERIES

[Quality schemes](#) in **agriculture** reinforced today

EU and the **Republic of Moldova** sign **agreement** on **protection** of **Geographical Indications**
[Midday Express 26.06.2012](#)

ENVIRONMENT

Commission Regulation (EU) No [547/2012](#) of **25 June 2012** implementing **Directive 2009/125/EC** of the **European Parliament** and of the **Council** with regard to **ecodesign requirements** for **water pumps**

HEALTH & CONSUMER PROTECTION

Commissioner Dalli visits the **US**
[Midday Express 26.06.2012](#)

EFSA - [Response](#) to **comments** on the **Scientific Opinion** on the **substantiation** of a **health claim** related to **isolated soy protein** and **reduction of blood LDL-cholesterol concentrations** pursuant to **Article 14** of **Regulation** (EC) No [1924/2006](#)

Nano - Very small and everywhere - A technological magic silver bullet or a **serious safety risk** (See [Beuc/Anec report](#))

[ANEC/BEUC inventory](#) of **products claiming** to contain **nano-silver particles** available on the **EU market** (2012)

TRANSPORT

Republic of Moldova to gradually **integrate** into the **European common aviation market** ([IP/12/688](#))

€URO & ECONOMY

[Report](#) by **Finance Ministers** on **Tax issues** in the **framework** of the **Euro Plus Pact**

Council Implementing Decision of **22 June 2012** lifting the **suspension** of **commitments** from the **Cohesion Fund** for **Hungary**

Spain, Cyprus seek **euro-zone bailout** (See [Statement](#) by the President of the Eurogroup)

[Financial Times 26.06.2012 p.4](#)

[Wall Street Journal Europe 26.06.2012 p.1](#)

Ireland: Commission gives **green light** for **€2.3 billion payment** and publishes **staff working paper** on **EU-IMF programme**

[Midday Express 26.06.2012](#)

New rules to **simplify** access to **EU funds**

EU plan to rewrite **euro-zone budgets**

[Financial Times 26.06.2012 p.1](#)

Delors-Schmidt group to propose **European debt agency**

[Financial Times 26.06.2012 p.4](#)

More turmoil hits **Greek Government**

[Wall Street Journal Europe 26.06.2012 p.4](#)

Weber sees **Euro-zone** surviving **crisis intact**

[Wall Street Journal Europe 26.06.2012 p.8](#)

European Council: "Growth Pact" is **necessary** but **not sufficient**, warn [SMEs](#)

FUTURE OF EUROPE

[Speech](#) by **President Barroso** ahead of the **European Council: "Moving Europe Forward"**

Dutch voters poised to **cast off Berlin ally**

[Financial Times 26.06.2012 p.4](#)

EXT. RELATIONS & ACCESSION

Sixteenth round of **EU sanctions** against the **Syrian regime** (See Regulation (EU) No [545/2012](#), Regulation [2012/544/CFSP](#), Decision [2012/322/CFSP](#) & Decision [2012/335/CFSP](#) and the [Notice](#))

The **Council** adapted the **EU restrictive measures** in **view** of the **situation** in **Afghanistan** to **changes decided** at **UN level** (See Decision [2012/334/CFSP](#) & Regulation (EU) No [543/2012](#) and the [Notice](#))

The **Council** adopted a **Review** of the **EU terrorist list** (See Decision [2012/333/CFSP](#) & Regulation (EU) No [542/2012](#) and the [Notice](#))

[Main Results](#) of the **14th meeting** of the **EU - Republic of Moldova Cooperation Council**,

22nd GCC-EU Joint Council and Ministerial Meeting, Co-Chairs' statement, Luxembourg, **25 June 2012** (See [Remarks](#) by H.R. Catherine Ashton)

[Main Results](#) of the **3179th Council meeting - Foreign Affairs - Luxembourg, 25 June 2012** - (See [Remarks](#) by H.R. Catherine Ashton)

- [conclusions](#) on **Montenegro**

Statement by Commissioner **Georgieva** on the **worsening humanitarian situation** in the **DRC** ([Memo/12/488](#))

Launching the High Level Dialogue on the **Accession Process** of **Bosnia and Herzegovina** ([Memo/12/489](#))

Enhanced cooperation in the **Eastern Partnership: the Eastern Partnership Integration and Cooperation (EaPIC) programme** ([Memo/12/491](#))