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to the Commission

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Subject: The Commission's new tax on tobacco

In its 2028-2034 budget (multiannual financial framework; MFF), the Commission has announced its intention to impose a new tax on tobacco products. The Tobacco Excise Duty Own Resource (TEDOR) is expected to generate around EUR 11.2 billion annually on average.¹

The EU has a general ban on the sale of tobacco for oral use pursuant to Article 17 of the Tobacco Products Directive. Sweden is exempt from this ban by virtue of the cultural and historical significance of the product.

In the light of the above:

1. Will Swedish snus fall within the scope of TEDOR?
2. Will tobacco-free nicotine pouches fall within the scope of TEDOR?
3. If the answer to any of the previous questions is in the affirmative, can the Commission envision a model where Sweden is exempt from TEDOR as regards snus and nicotine pouch products because of their cultural and historical significance?

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¹ https://commission.europa.eu/document/download/80b07565-b336-41ae-9baf-a5401e7b528b_en?filename=MFF_New%20own%20resources_16.07-16h38.pdf.