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to the Commission
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Subject: High toll fees on roads co-financed by the EU and European territorial cohesion

The EU finances the development of the Trans-European Transport Networks with the aim of enhancing mobility, territorial cohesion and the free movement of people and goods.

However, the particularly high toll fees on some co-financed motorways raise questions as to whether these objectives are being met. On a recent car journey from Belgium to Greece, toll fees up to Evzonoi totalled EUR 40.96 and then another EUR 41.05 from Evzonoi to Athens.

This situation places a disproportionate burden on people living outside big cities, workers, farmers, small and medium-sized enterprises and professional drivers, limiting actual access to infrastructure that was built with European funding. At the same time, there are issues with the proportionality of the charges, the transparency of concessions and the use of toll revenues.

In view of this, can the Commission answer the following:

1. How does it assess the impact of high toll fees charged on co-financed motorways on territorial and social cohesion, on free movement and on the competitiveness of regional economies, in particular at the Union's external borders?
2. Does it intend, when financing new or reviewing existing TEN-T projects, to set conditions so that toll charges are proportionate, socially fair and do not limit real accessibility for citizens?
3. How does it ensure that concessions and toll revenues in co-financed projects serve cohesion policy objectives and enhance their transparency and monitoring?

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