THE SENATE
OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

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RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE

Delivered on the 8th session held on 25 April 2013

on the Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council - The state of the European carbon market in 2012 /Senate Press no. K 010/09/

The Senate

I.

1. **Recalls**
   its Resolution of 3rd November 2010 on the Communication from the Commission: Analysis of options to move beyond 20% greenhouse gas emission reductions and assessing the risk of carbon leakage in which the Senate, inter alia, expressed concern about threatening competitiveness of the EU by adopting too ambitious commitments and emphasized the importance of promoting investment in developing new technologies that will be crucial to the future emissions reduction;

2. **States**
   that the major greenhouse gas producers have not signed up to the supranational measures designed to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases so far;

II.

1. **Points out**
   that the EU's share in global greenhouse gas emissions does not exceed 13 % and is therefore lower than the volume produced individually by USA or China;

2. **Recommends**
   the EU to significantly take into account the need for maintaining EU competitiveness on a global scale, when drafting further regulation of the carbon market and fulfilling its targets for reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and the compliance with the principle of balanced participation of key actors in this effort;

3. Recommends
the European Commission to conduct a thorough analysis of the functionality and effectiveness of the EU ETS and simultaneously initiate a serious debate on alternative ways to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases (e.g. carbon tax);

III.

1. Authorises
the President of the Senate to forward this Resolution to the European Commission.

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