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from EBAA in December 2012:**

Dear Members,

The Environment (ENVI) Committee of the European Parliament has now appointed a *Rapporteur*, MEP Peter Liese (DE – EPP), to follow the “Stop the Clock” derogation. It is widely expected that the legislative process will be over before April 2013. But if the Member States are ready to back the Commission, the European Parliament may not be as cooperative. We will assess if and how we can take advantage of this.

In the meantime, and FYI, the Commission has published a more comprehensive set of [Frequently Asked Questions](#) on its proposal to postpone compliance to EU ETS for international aviation that reads in substance as follows:

- Geographical scope: the European Commission confirms that flights to / from EEA States, Switzerland and Croatia from / to 3rd countries are now outside the scope of EU ETS;
- If European operators want to get exempted for their international flights, to which they are now entitled, they must return their free allowances associated with these international operations. But European operators MAY choose, or not, to make use of the exemption; If they don't, the previous situation applies, and the operator is not required to surrender the free allowances;
- For 3rd country operators, no sanction will be taken in case of non-reporting of their international emissions. But intra-EU emissions from 3rd operators are covered by the EU ETS, and as such 3rd country operators must do a proper MRV procedure for these intra-EU flights.

We remain at your disposal for further information.

Kind regards,  
Cordialement,

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