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То:	Ms Thérèse BLANCHET, Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union
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Subject:	COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION of 16.7.2025 on the request for registration, pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2019/788 of the European Parliament and of the Council, of the European citizens' initiative entitled 'Save your right, save your flight!'

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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2019/788 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 April 2019 on the European citizens' initiative¹, and in particular Article 6(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) A request for registration of a European citizens' initiative entitled 'Save your right, save your flight!' was submitted to the Commission on 18 June 2025.
- (2) The organisers of the initiative refer to 'changes to passenger rights that will water down protections travellers have relied on for two decades'. They consider that those changes will result in a loss of time, money and rights when compared to the level of protection offered by current legislation. The aim of the initiative, as expressed by the organisers, is to call for the reversal of 'passenger-hostile changes' and the preservation of the 'current compensation eligibility thresholds'.
- (3) An annex to the initiative provides further details on its background, its subject matter and its objectives. It refers to Council proposals related to the introduction of 'a deadline for processing compensation claims (up to 14 days)', guaranteeing consumers' 'right to information about the causes of delay' and the establishment of 'a definitive list of cases eligible for compensation, based on established case law of the CJEU'.
- (4) The Commission considers that it could adopt a proposal for a regulation on passenger rights in the Union on the basis of Article 91(1) and Article 100(2) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.
- (5) For that reason, the Commission considers that none of the parts of the initiative manifestly falls outside the framework of the Commission's powers to submit a proposal for a legal act of the Union for the purpose of implementing the Treaties.
- (6) That conclusion does not affect the assessment of whether the concrete substantive conditions required for the Commission to act, including compliance with the principles of proportionality and subsidiarity and compatibility with fundamental rights, would be met in this case.
- (7) The group of organisers has provided appropriate evidence that it fulfils the requirements laid down in Article 5(1) and (2) of Regulation (EU) 2019/788 and has

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OJ L 130, 17.5.2019, p. 55, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/788/oj

designated the contact persons in accordance with Article 5(3), first subparagraph, of that Regulation.

- (8) The initiative is not manifestly abusive, frivolous or vexatious, nor is it manifestly contrary to the values of the Union as set out in Article 2 of the Treaty on European Union or to the rights enshrined in the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union.
- (9) The initiative entitled 'Save your right, save your flight!' should therefore be registered.
- (10) The conclusion that the conditions for registration under Article 6(3) of Regulation (EU) 2019/788 are fulfilled does not imply that the Commission in any way confirms the factual correctness of the content of the initiative, which is the sole responsibility of the group of organisers of the initiative. The content of the initiative only expresses the views of the group of organisers, and can in no way be taken to reflect the views of the Commission,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The European citizens' initiative entitled 'Save your right, save your flight!' shall be registered.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the group of organisers of the citizens' initiative entitled 'Save your right, save your flight!', represented by Marian Edward FILA and Nina-Raluca BUCĂTARU acting as contact persons.

Done at Brussels, 16.7.2025

For the Commission Maroš ŠEFČOVIČ Member of the Commission

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Martine DEPREZ Director Decision-making & Collegiality EUROPEAN COMMISSION