



## Commissioner Breton – meeting with ITRE Committee

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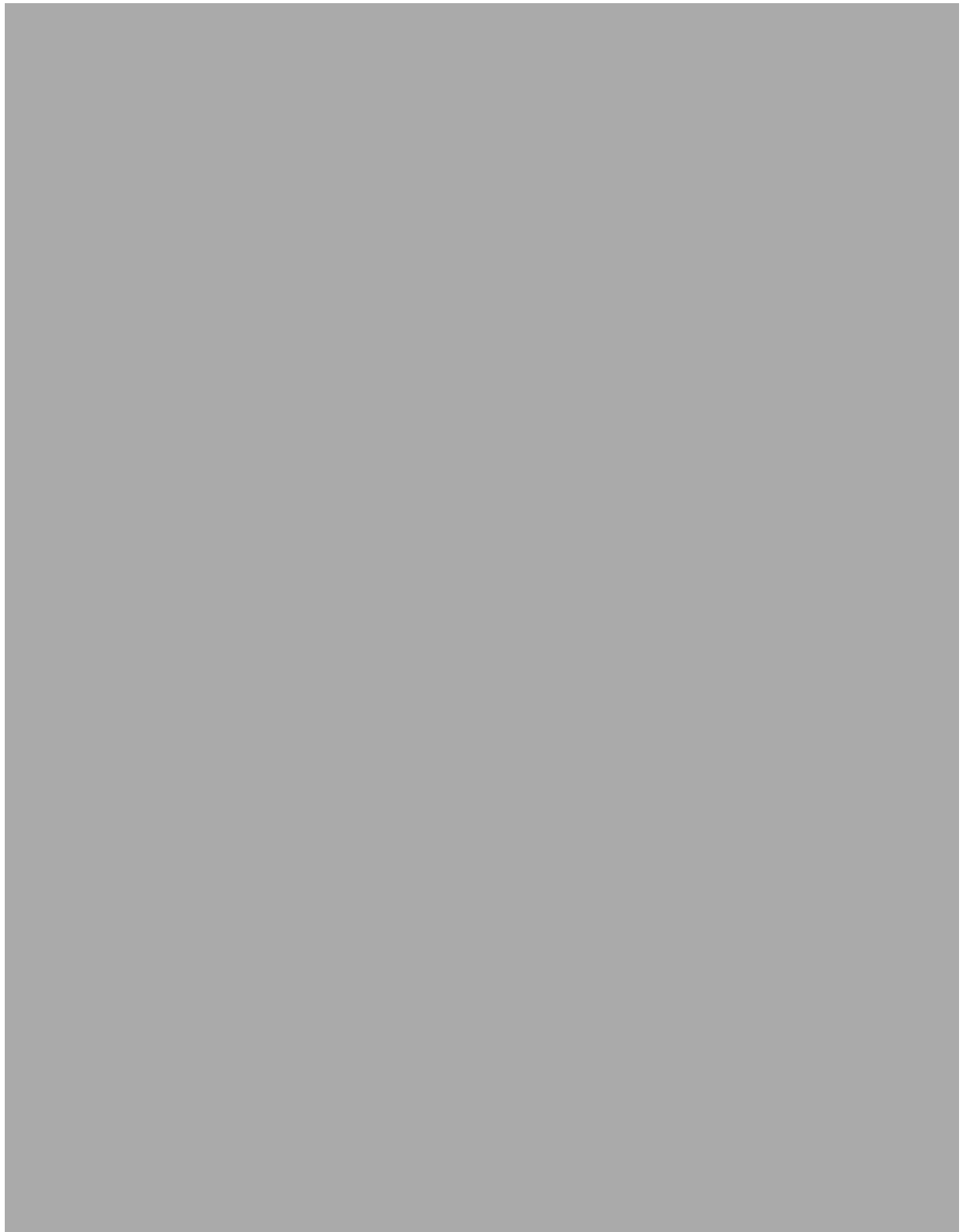
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<p><b>Contribution from GROW C3 on</b></p> <p><b>Common Charger, AI, Radio Equipment and Rail supply Industry</b></p>
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### **COMMON CHARGER**

***What is the status of the "common charger" file? What are the next expected steps and what electronic devices could be included in the scope, other than mobile phones?***

- The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) of 2009 brought significant improvements in the market, resulting in a reduction from 30 to 2 main charger types (Micro USB Type B, currently being phased out and replaced by USB-C and lightning from Apple). The proposed MoU of March 2018 was, however, not satisfactory as it did not deliver a single common charging solution.
- The Commission is now assessing other options, including the regulatory one. To this end, we have carried out an impact assessment study. The results of the study will be made public by the end of January/beginning of February 2020.
- One of the options considered is a delegated act based on the Radio Equipment Directive.
- Other options we are ready to analyse include a legal act through the ordinary legislative procedure if needed. The study indeed indicates that it would be more cost-effective to tackle this issue on a broader way than just regulating the socket interface type for smartphones.



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