Request for the waiver of the immunity of Bolesaw G. Piecha

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The European Parliament decided to waive the **immunity** of Bolesaw G. PIECHA (ECR, PL).

To recall, the Prosecutor-General of the Republic of Poland forwarded a request from the Polish General Inspector of Road Transport for waiver of the immunity of Bolesaw G. Piecha concerning an offence under Article 92a of the Code of Petty Offences of 20 May 1971 in conjunction with Article 20(1) of the Road Traffic Act of 20 June 1997. In particular, the alleged offence involves exceeding the permitted speed limit in a built-up area.

The alleged offence took place before Bolesaw G. Piecha became a Member of the European Parliament and Parliament stated that it has no direct or obvious bearing on Bolesaw G. Piecha’s exercise of his duties at the European Parliament.

Moreover, Bolesaw G. Piecha sent a statement to the Polish General Inspectorate of Road Transport, in response to the report of the offence by the Inspector General of that Inspectorate, in which he agreed to pay the fine for the offence under Article 92a of the Code of Petty Offences. Therefore, in this case it is difficult to establish evidence of fumus persecutionis, that is to say, a sufficiently serious and precise suspicion that the request has been made with the intention of causing political damage to the Member concerned.

Under these conditions, Parliament decided to waive the immunity of Bolesaw G. Piecha.