



**REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA
-COMPETITION AUTHORITY-**

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Press release

**On Competition Commission Decision
“Recommendation on abrogating the decision of Council of Ministers
no.1110, 30.07.2008 that restrict market competition”**

Competition Commission on the meeting of December 30th, 2008, dealt with the issue of ‘Restriction on Market Competition’ from the decision of Council of Ministers, No. 1110, December 30th, 2008, “On Fuel quality produced from the home-brew oil gross refining “.

Albanian Competition Authority has realized an investigation on the oil market that has taken into consideration the bearing of the companies that operates on the oil wholesale market, also the effect of the prescriptive act on the role of this market.

Furthermore Albanian Competition Authority has taken in consideration complains on the decision of Council of Ministers, No. 1110, May 30th, 2008 from “Hydro fuel Association” .It has also been a problem which is discussed in the hearings with the companies that operates in the market of oil sale.

After discussing the “Report of valuation on the influence of the legally and non-legally acts on the oil market” and especially for the fuel product regarding the standard of S SH EN 590 and the complain of the Hydro fuel Association, Competition Authority notices that: the Decision of Council of Ministers, No. 1110, May 30th, 2008 .poses restrictions on Competition on the market of fuel because of the unequal conditions of the trade between companies regarding the home-breed and imported product.

Competition Commission, pursuant to article 24, letter “d” “f” and 70, article 2 of the Law No. 9121, 28.07.2003 “On Competition Protection” , decided to recommend to the Council of Ministers the abrogation of CMD No. 1110, 30.07.2008, “On Fuel quality produced from the home-brew oil gross refining“ after it restricts the Competition between the companies that operates in the market.