

## **DENMARK**

# Monitoring the Application of EUROPEAN UNION LAW

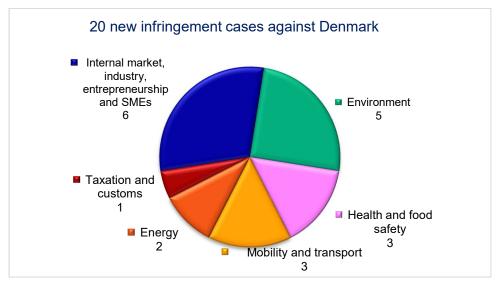
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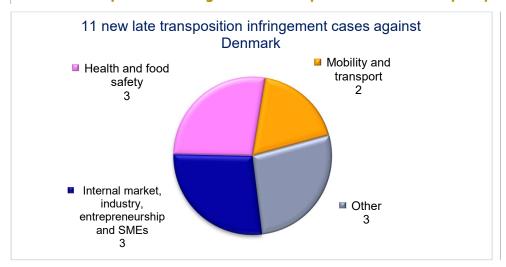
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#### **IMPORTANT JUDGMENTS**

## Court rulings1

There were no major Court rulings in 2019.

#### **Preliminary rulings**

The Court addressed the following preliminary ruling to the Danish judiciary:

• EU law cannot be relied on for abusive or fraudulent objectives. In such cases, national authorities and courts must refuse a taxpayer the exemption from withholding tax on profits distributed by a subsidiary to its parent company, even if there are no domestic or agreement-based provisions providing for such a refusal<sup>2</sup>.

These rulings are almost exclusively handed down in infringement procedures.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Skatteministeriet v T Danmark and Y Denmark Aps, joined cases <u>C-116/16 and C-117/16.</u>