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According to the documents obtained by the *Financial Times*, referred to in its article of 25 October 2015, in 2011 the Commission was already aware of the 'significant discrepancy' between how cars performed in the real world compared with in the testing laboratory.

- 1. What kind of measures, including legislative or executive ones, did the Commission introduce following the publication of the Joint Research Centre's analysis in 2011 to manage the situation and force the car industry to improve its emission results, and what kind of results did these measures lead to?
- 2. Volkswagen has suspended about 10 senior executives as part of its internal inquiry. Does the Commission intend to start an internal inquiry to find the parties within the Commission responsible for covering up the emissions scandal, as requested by Parliament in its resolution of 27 October 2015?
- 3. What is the position of the Commission on the civil and environmental liability of VW and other car producers affected by the scandal?

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