

ECJ Definitively Dismisses Appeal in State Aid Case Concerning French Deferral of Aviation Taxes: Ryanair v Commission (C-210/21 P)

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On 23 November 2023, the Court of Justice of the European Union (ECJ) gave its decision in the case of Ryanair v Commission (C-210/21 P). The ECJ rejected all the arguments put forward by Ryanair and confirmed the judgment of the General Court (see [General Court Decides on State Aid Case of French Deferral of Aviation Taxes: Ryanair v Commission \(Case T-259/20\) \(18 February 2021\)](#)). The ECJ reaffirmed, in particular, that aid cannot be considered incompatible with the internal market for reasons that are linked solely to whether the aid is selective or distorts or threatens to distort competition.

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