

**Question for written answer E-009012/2014  
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Implementation of Directive 85/337/EEC in Ireland

1. Could the Commission state what action has been taken with regard to Ireland's transposition of Council Directive 85/337/EEC of 27 June 1985 on the assessment of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment (as amended), through its Statutory Instrument No 221/1988, which limits the requirement to outline alternatives to proposed road schemes to other motorway alignments, thus excluding other forms of transportation from the requirement, unlike Article 5(3) of the Directive?
2. Could the Commission further elaborate on any implications of the above action for the implementation of Directive 2014/52/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014, amending Directive 2011/92/EU on the assessment of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment?