Question for written answer E-009695/2014 to the Commission Rule 130 Lola Sánchez Caldentey (GUE/NGL)

Subject: Compatibility of the Murcia airport concessionaire company's business plan with EU

guidelines on State aid for regional airports

As stated in report N63/2010 by the Directorate-General (DG) for Competition, the business plan of the *Sociedad Concesionaria del Aeropuerto de Murcia* (SCAM) [Murcia airport concessionaire company] envisages that the income from the operations and commercial exploitation of the airport will be sufficient to cover costs and generate profits.

The corresponding invitation to tender provided for the possibility that the Murcia regional government might grant the successful bidders a loan of EUR 30 million and/or a revenue guarantee as additional aid.

- 1. Might this be interpreted as amounting to aid that provides an advantage for this concessionaire company? Could it constitute State aid?
- 2. Would that be contrary to applicable competition legislation?
- 3. Four years on, are the EU's conclusions in 2010 regarding the suitability of the Corvera airport still valid or are we facing an approved and skewed image of reality?

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