

**Question for written answer E-010770/2014
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Return of state aid (N 63/10) provided by the Government of the Region of Murcia

When the Autonomous Community of the Region of Murcia (CARM) decided to terminate the concession contract of *Sociedad Concesionaria Aeropuerto de Murcia* (SCAM) [Murcia Airport Concession Company], under which it received state aid N 63/10 from the EU to the value of 200 million euros, SCAM stated before the courts in 2013 that the AIRM project was unviable, giving CARM the option of inviting a new tender for a new concession company by means of a new competition, which would presumably be fruitless since the project was unviable, unless contractual amendments were introduced, in other words, unless the terms were different to those stipulated in the original contract, now terminated.

As for private interests, the appellant (SCAM) claims that the only parties who can take part, other than itself and those with which it has concluded contracts, are those potentially interested in participating in a new tender, but given that it views the project as unviable, there are not likely to be any.

Is the Commission aware that SCAM, as the recipient of state aid (N 63/10) provided by the Government of the Region of Murcia, has not fulfilled its contractual obligation to return the sum of 200 million euros, having declared in court that the AIRM project is not viable?