

**Question for written answer E-000722/2015
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Outsourcing of the Spanish helpline for violence against women (016)

It has recently emerged that the Spanish Government has procured the services of the platform Qualytel Teleservices to enable disabled women to work on the helpline for violence against women (016).

The company's record as an employer is questionable, however. It has a reputation for dismissing pregnant women and workers on reduced hours to look after children, and in 2012 was sanctioned for failing to comply with the Spanish Disability Social Integration Law.

Taking into account EU anti-discrimination law:

1. Does the Commission think the Spanish Government should be penalised for outsourcing disability-related services to companies that have faced sanctions in the same area?
2. Has the Commission requested any information from the Spanish Government on this matter?
3. Does it intend to introduce any rules to exclude from public procurement companies that have faced sanctions in this area?