

Question for written answer E-007918/2015
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)
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Subject: VP/HR - A400M air accident in Seville

On 9 May 2015, an A400M aeroplane crashed in Seville (Spain) during a test flight before being delivered to Turkey. An investigation was opened into the accident, and countries such as Germany and the United Kingdom have suspended flights with this type of aeroplane.

This incident has raised doubts over the grand European military project and on the equipment in question, the military A400M aeroplane.

Is the Vice-President/High Representative thinking of launching an investigation at European level into what happened?

What steps is the Vice-President/High Representative going to take to ensure that, in spite of the accident, Europe does not stop developing its own defence system?