

**Question for written answer E-011881/2015
to the Commission
Rule 130
Inês Cristina Zuber (GUE/NGL)**

Subject: Potential closure of the Triumph factory in Portugal

Workers at Triunfo Internacional, Sociedade Têxteis e Confeções, Lda. in Loures have been told by management that the company is being sold, and that the sale will go through in the next three months to two years. The factory manufactures items for one of the world's leading underwear brands – Triumph International – and its turnover last year was EUR 22 million. The company is the largest clothing manufacturer in Leiria and employs 533 people. There are no insolvency issues or any other financial problems concerning the factory. According to information provided by the European Works Council, which met on 27-29 May, the multinational is planning to increase production in India and Vietnam, which means it is relocating Portuguese production outside Portugal and the EU. The future of the company's workers is now utterly uncertain.

1. What information does the Commission have on this matter, and what measures is it thinking of taking?
2. What EU funding has the company received and for what purposes, and what undertakings were made by the company in return for the aid provided?