Question for written answer E-001392/2016 to the Commission Rule 130 Dariusz Rosati (PPE)

Subject: Railway access to Szczecin and Świnoujście harbours

The EU has set itself ambitious targets under the Trans-European Transport Network programme for upgrading and developing infrastructure, including for railways. One of these targets is to improve traffic along the Baltic-Adriatic corridor by upgrading the railway network, including Poland's E 59 railway line, which ensures quick and efficient access for trains heading to Szczecin and Świnoujście harbours. This project is of strategic significance for the economic development of Zachodniopomorskie province.

Polish Government programmes currently underway include the Multiannual Programme of Railway Projects (WPIK), valid until the end of 2015, and the National Railway Programme (KPK), valid until 2023. Work under these programmes on preparing the investment feasibility study entitled 'Improving railway access to Szczecin and Świnoujście harbours using EU funds under the multiannual financial framework 2014-2020' should have been completed by the end of 2015, and the project itself should have started in 2016, using European funding.

Given the above, can the Commission state:

- 1. Has funding for implementing this project been secured? If so, under which programmes has it been secured and what sums are available?
- 2. Are the Polish authorities currently applying for funds to implement this project? If so, has the applicable documentation been filed and what sums are quoted on the applications?

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