

**Question for written answer E-005924/2016
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Job insecurity for temporary teachers in Spain

Spanish temporary teachers are complaining about their job insecurity. Despite the Court of Justice of the European Union having adopted rulings on job security for temporary workers, and on the illegality of rolling contract renewals (Mascolo Case), the onset of the crisis has seen agreements in respect of job security being broken.

Directive 1999/70/EC sets out a commitment on the part of the Member States to establish a framework to prevent abuse arising from rolling renewals of contracts. Is the Commission aware of the abusive system for the contracting of temporary workers in Spain, and of the never-ending series of temporary contracts to which they are subject?

Under Directive 1999/70/EC, Member States must lay down the maximum duration applicable to fixed-term contracts. In Spain, Article 70 of the Basic Statute applicable to Public Employees provides that public posts which are vacant and which need to be filled must be filled within a maximum of three years. Is the Commission aware that thousands of Spanish public employees have been in 'vacant' posts that need to be filled for 10 or 15 years, without any attempt being made to fill these permanently, which has denied them any job security?