

**Question for written answer E-008972/2016
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Subcontract for extension of the rail link from Terminal 1 to Terminal 2 at Malpensa Airport

In October 2016, the Guardia di Finanza in Milan made 14 arrests in connection with an investigation into the awarding of subcontracts for public works in Lombardy.

More specifically, the investigation seems to have detected not only tax offences but also corruption, fraudulent bankruptcy, criminal association and fraud against the state.

Among the subcontract procurement procedures at the centre of the investigation was the one for extending the rail link from Terminal 1 to Terminal 2 at Malpensa Airport at a total cost of EUR 115 million, which is to be split between the Ministry for Infrastructure (EUR 45 million), Lombardy Regional Government (EUR 31 million), the SEA – Società Esercizi Aeroportuali (EUR 16 million) and the EU (EUR 23 million).

Since Community funding is to be allocated for the construction of the aforesaid rail link, can the Commission state:

- whether it has contacted the Italian authorities on this matter and what response it has received from them;
- whether it plans to alert OLAF with a view to a more in-depth investigation?