

WRITTEN QUESTION E-0310/10

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to the Council

Subject: Situation of the Airbus A400M military aircraft

Over the last few days, Tom Enders, the president of Airbus, has said that the A400M is currently putting Airbus at risk. He has called on the governments of the seven buyer countries (Germany, France, Spain, the UK, Turkey, Belgium and Luxembourg) to open negotiations before 31 January 2010 in order to guarantee the future of project, which is estimated to be between EUR 5000 and 7500 million over budget.

What is the Council's position on the different steps that could be taken (including redistribution of production) to guarantee the future of this important project?