## **Question for written answer E-000375/2018 to the Commission** Rule 130

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Subject: Organisational changes with serious implications for employees of AN SCOOP in Ávila

(Spain)

AN SCOOP is a new incarnation of Avilaves, a firm that used to specialise in slaughtering and selling chickens. It has now decided to change its business model, focusing instead on the slaughter and packaging of turkeys. The company is therefore investing in its plant, and building work started in September 2017.

In order to carry out the work on its factory, the company has received state aid to the tune of EUR 4 789 906.81 via Spain's national rural development programme, with 53% EU co-financing from the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development.

At the end of September 2017, 18 workers in the chicken slaughter department were informed that their jobs would be changing. Nine of them would no longer be doing the same job, and the other nine would be transferred to Navarre.

- 1. Was the granting of aid made conditional on the retention of staff numbers?
- 2. Has the Commission checked that investments have indeed been made as regards the modernisation of the facilities?

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