

**Question for written answer E-001300/2022
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Euronews

The Portuguese venture capital firm Alpac Capital, which is said to have close ties to Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orbán and strong corporate links to the business ecosystem around him, has acquired Euronews.

In recent years, Euronews has experienced falling revenues and has been subsidised by the Commission.

According a news report of November 2021, Euronews is required by the Commission to provide information on its editorial oversights and programming priorities, among other metrics.

The Commission later said that it was monitoring developments closely ‘to make sure that any changes in the company’s management or editorial workflows do not impact its contractual arrangements.’

I would therefore like to ask the Commission to answer the following questions separately:

1. Does it believe there is any business rationale behind this acquisition?
2. Is it monitoring Euronews broadcasts to determine whether any of the changes to the company’s management or editorial workflows affect its contractual arrangements?