

**Question for written answer E-002925/2023
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Extension of the concession for the AP-9 motorway in Galicia

On 18 August 2023, the last extension of the concession for the AP-9 motorway in Galicia came into effect. It will be valid until 2048. The concession was initially approved by royal decree in 1994 during a government led by the Spanish Socialist Workers' Party (PSOE). It was valid until 2023 and extended in 2000 by a People's Party government (PP).

In 2021, the European Commission initiated proceedings against Spain for having granted the extension without having issued a public call for tender.

Given the above:

1. What is the state of play with regard to the infringement procedure?
2. Does the Commission consider this extra extension to be in breach of EU competition law?
3. Is it the view of the Commission that the concession should now be withdrawn?

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