

**Question for written answer E-000771/2024
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Israel's genocide in Gaza: immediate suspension of EU funds (EDF) to state-owned military company Israel Aerospace Industries

The Delàs Centre has revealed that¹ state-owned company Israel Aerospace Industries (IAI) is the final beneficiary of EUR 8.05 million in EDF funding, following the company's acquisition of Intracom. IAI is the largest Israeli aerospace and defence manufacturer and the biggest exporter, with an estimated USD 4.1 billion in arms sales in 2022 alone.

The state-owned business is one of the military technology pillars of the current genocide in Gaza and the military occupation and apartheid policies that Israel has been implementing for years, in breach of Palestinians' human rights.

What is more, there are well-founded suspicions that the company regularly engages in corruption – including money laundering, bribery and fraud. In view of Article 2 of the EU-Israel Association Agreement and the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide:

1. Is the Commission considering the urgent suspension of public funds to Intracom/IAI, a state-owned company belonging to a third country, Israel, against which the ICJ has ordered binding measures due to plausible genocide?
2. Is the Commission considering carrying out an urgent audit to ensure that no EU funds are directly or indirectly funding Israel's war crimes?
3. How does the Commission view the fact that a business that prides itself on testing its products in combat, i.e. in a genocide in Palestine, receives EU funding?

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¹ https://www.eldiario.es/opinion/tribuna-abierta/mayor-fabricante-defensa-israeli-accede-ayudas-investigacion-militar-ue_129_10970027.html