

ORAL QUESTION H-0143/09
for Question Time at the part-session in April 2009
pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure
by Robert Evans
to the Council

Subject: Recent strikes at Budapest Ferihegy airport

Is the Council aware of the recent strike activity at Budapest's Ferihegy airport, and the airport's overall practices regarding workers' rights and the replacement of striking employees with migrant workers?

I have received reports that these casual workers are sitting at the important x-ray machines without being properly trained and with disregard for the necessary application to this serious role.

The Council will agree with me that Europe's aviation security relies on every link being as strong as the other; and that if there are breaks in this chain at Budapest or any other airport, the whole of Europe's aviation system could be put at risk.

In light of this, what assurances can the Council give me that there have been no breaches of international aviation security during these recent strikes at Ferihegy airport?

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