

**Question for written answer P-008208/2013/rev.1
to the Commission**
Rule 117
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Subject: Possible breach of the Schengen *acquis*

In the framework of one of the official delegations of the European Parliament which took place in Spain, I was requested by the airline company that operated my flight from Bucharest to Malaga to provide passport information prior to my flight's arrival on Spanish territory. According to the information provided by the airline, 'the authorities in your destination [Malaga, Spain] or connecting country require us to send specific information concerning all passengers before the flight's departure'.

Having regard to Article 20 of the Schengen Borders Code which stipulates that no internal-border controls or equivalent measures should be carried out, and considering the fact that the above-mentioned flight was internal (Bucharest-Paris-Malaga), the requirement to provide passport information could be considered as being in breach of the Schengen *acquis*.

In light of the above-mentioned information, is the Commission aware of the new travel rules introduced by the Spanish authorities?

Does the Commission consider the new travel rules as being in breach of the Schengen *acquis*?

What measures is the Commission planning to undertake in the case where the new travel rules are illegal?