

**Question for written answer E-001612/2024
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Contracts

According to recent press reports¹, the Government of Galicia has failed to fulfil its obligation to put government contracts out to public tender by subdividing the contracts in question into hundreds of invoices for services contracted to the same company. It has been reported that many of these contracts (over 1 300 in total) had the same description and amount and were invoiced to the same Galician Government department.

In light of the fact that Spain's Law on Public Sector Contracts transposes Directives 2014/23/EU and 2014/24/EU into Spanish law and that the directives specifically seek to introduce transparency and limit direct awards, I would like to know:

1. whether the Commission understands that, given the above, the Galician Government may be breaching the principles enshrined in EU legislation by using this type of contract repeatedly and without advertising;
2. whether the Commission is aware that EU funds may have been allocated to these subdivided contracts and whether the Commission has contacted, or will contact, the Galician Government in relation to this practice.

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¹ <https://osalto.gal/galicia/concursos-xunta-empresa-hermana-feijoo-cinco-millones-mil-facturas>.