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Subject: Incidents on Ryanair planes – concerns for passenger safety

Over the past week, Ryanair aircraft have been at the centre of two incidents: one in Brindisi and the other in Bergamo (Italy). In Brindisi, 184 passengers plus the cabin crew were evacuated and the airport was closed after an engine caught fire. Bergamo airport was shut for a few hours too, following a tyre blowout on a plane coming into land.

Fortunately no one was injured in either case, but the two are only the latest in a series of episodes and technical issues to hit the Irish airline over the past year. Such incidents not only carry implications for the safety of passengers, crew and security staff, but instantly cause significant disruption to air traffic and operations at the airports involved.

Given the alarming frequency of such failures, can the Commission say:

1. What action will the European Union Aviation Safety Agency take to ensure that the maintenance plans for Ryanair's aircraft are in order?
2. For the sake of passenger safety, how will it make sure that the only aircraft used is that which is authorised and fully fit to fly?

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