

**Question for written answer E-003740/2025
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Compliance with EU public procurement rules in concessions for the AP-9 and AP-66 motorways

On 17 July 2025 the Commission issued an opinion (INFR(2021)4052)¹ calling on Spain to comply with EU public procurement rules. This opinion cites in particular the concessions for the AP-9 motorway in Galicia and the A-66 motorway in Asturias.

In 2000, José María Aznar's government extended the AP-9 and AP-66 concessions to 25 and 29 years, respectively, and later sold the two companies with no prior tender procedures.

The opinion maintains that these extensions constitute substantial modifications equivalent to awarding new concession contracts and thus require a tender procedure, meaning that they were in breach of Directive 93/37/EEC and the principles of equal treatment and transparency of EU rules.

The opinion set Spain a deadline of two months to respond.

1. Has the Commission received notification of the measures Spain will take to remedy this infringement?
2. Given that tolls affect citizens, the internal market and mobility, what will it do to abolish them and compensate users?
3. How will the Commission ensure that similar cases do not recur in other Member States?

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¹ https://spain.representation.ec.europa.eu/noticias-eventos/noticias-0/paquete-de-procedimientos-de-infraccion-de-julio-principales-decisiones-relativas-espana-2025-07-17_es