

Question for written answer E-002349/2025
to the Commission
Rule 144
Dolors Montserrat (PPE)

Subject: Charges brought against Spain's Prosecutor General for leaking confidential information for political reasons and Spain's compliance with Article 2 TEU

Supreme Court Justice Ángel Hurtado is bringing summary proceedings against Spain's Prosecutor General on the grounds that there is enough evidence to corroborate suspicions that he revealed confidential information.

Hurtado's writ states that, based on the investigation, there are grounds to believe that 'instructions were received from the Prime Minister's office to make use of available information for political ends.' The Prosecutor General is accused of leaking confidential information 'as a result of instructions received from the Prime Minister's office... for the purposes of winning the narrative battle.'

Though the Prosecutor General faces very serious charges – which could result in his being imprisoned and disbarred from office – he has neither resigned nor lost the support of the Spanish Government. In the light of the above:

1. Does the Commission consider that this state of affairs is at odds with the rule of law principles laid down in the Treaty on European Union, in particular concerning the independence of the judiciary and the Prosecutor General's office?
2. Is the Commission not concerned about the fact that the Prosecutor General's Office is being used by the Government to destroy a political opponent, blatantly contradicting the recommendations of the rule of law mechanism that require autonomy and neutrality?
3. Will the Commission react to this incident by requesting information from the Spanish Government, or will the latter feature in the upcoming rule of law report on Spain?

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