

**Priority question for written answer P-004219/2026
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Anti-abuse bracelets (Cometa system): shortcomings, milestone 472 of the Spanish recovery plan and seventh Recovery and Resilience Facility payment with partial waiver of funds

Following technical failures in the Cometa system, which is used to manage anti-abuse bracelets in Spain, many women were left unprotected for months owing to the judicial authorities' inability to access at least 123 records of aggressor movements. As a result, court cases for failures to comply with restraining orders were dismissed and abusers acquitted.

On 30 January 2026, the Commission said it was aware of the problem with the bracelets commissioned by the Ministry of Equality. That same month, the Spanish Court of Auditors decided to investigate and it concluded in September that the system had 'serious shortcomings'.

On 30 September, the Spanish Government requested the seventh payment of funds from the Recovery and Resilience Facility, waiving 38 % of the allocated amount.

1. On 30 January, the Commission said that it would investigate the implementation and fulfilment of milestone 472 at the time of the seventh payment request. Is the Commission investigating and, if so, has it opened a file or requested additional information from the Spanish authorities, what did it find and what were the conclusions?
2. Does that system comply with EU standards, and does the Commission plan to take additional measures or suspend or postpone the seventh payment?
3. Has Spain turned down funding linked to equality or the protection of women victims of violence?

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