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Answer given by Executive Vice-President Ribera
on behalf of the European Commission
(29.7.2025)

The Commission decided on 31 July 2020 not to raise objections to the aid scheme of the Solvency Support Fund for strategic enterprises notified by the Kingdom of Spain¹. The scheme was considered compatible with the internal market pursuant to Article 107(3) (b) of the Treaty of the Functioning of European Union, which allows aid to remedy a serious disturbance of the economy of a Member State.

The 2020 Commission Decision required individual notification of solvency support that exceeded EUR 250 million to individual beneficiaries. That Decision also provides that solvency support could be cumulated with liquidity support in the form of ordinary debt.

The Commission is committed to ensure that exceptional State aid granted owing to the pandemic is in strict compliance with EU law. The 2020 Commission Decision underwent judicial review of its legality, which the General Court and the Court of Justice of the European Union confirmed².

¹ Commission Decision SA.57659(2020/N)-Spain-COVID 19 - Recapitalisation fund (OJ C269, 14.8.2020, p. 8).

² Case T-628/20, EU:T:2021:285, case C-441/21 P, EU:C:2024:477.