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Answer given by Executive Vice-President Fitto
on behalf of the European Commission
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Several measures are implemented under the Spanish Recovery and Resilience Plan (RRP) that concern directly the maintenance, adaptation and modernisation of the Spanish railway network, most notably investments: C1.I3 – Measures to improve the attractiveness and accessibility of the railway network, C6.I1 – National transmission network European Corridors, C6.I2 – Trans-European Network for Transport Program, Other Works, C6.I3 – Intermodality and Logistics and C6.I4 – Support Programme for Sustainable and Digital Transport¹. The Commission is yet to assess the satisfactory fulfilment of these railway measures, given that their completion is only due by the second quarter of 2026 and they are expected to be submitted in the last payment request.

The Commission assesses the fulfilment of milestones and targets under the Spanish RRP in line with the requirements in the respective Council Implementing Decision². Should the Commission deem that milestones and targets associated with the railway investments are not satisfactorily fulfilled, it can suspend the payment of EU funds pursuant to Article 24 of the Recovery and Resilience Facility Regulation³.

¹ Council Implementing Decision amending the Implementing Decision of 13 July 2021 on the approval of the assessment of the recovery and resilience plan for Spain, 17031/25 + ADD1 + COR1.

² Council Implementing Decision amending the Implementing Decision of 13 July 2021 on the approval of the assessment of the recovery and resilience plan for Spain, 17031/25 + ADD1 + COR1.

³ Regulation (EU) 2021/241 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 February 2021 establishing the Recovery and Resilience Facility, OJ L 57, 18.2.2021, pp. 17–75.