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to the Commission**

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Subject: State-aid preliminary examination procedure into grants to the renewable energy sector in Spain and repercussions for the EU as a whole

The Commission has a state-aid preliminary examination procedure open into the renewable energy remuneration system in Spain (SA. 40348.2014/N). This procedure is intended to analyse whether the grants awarded under the previous redistribution in Spain are compatible with EU state-aid regulations.

A possible delay with resolving this procedure on the Commission's part would further increase the legal uncertainty generated by the Spanish Government's decision to cut these grants retroactively.

As such, there is an urgent need to draw a line under this uncertainty as soon as possible.

What timeframe does the Commission envisage for taking a decision regarding the preliminary examination procedure?