

**Question for written answer E-003997/2016
to the Commission**

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Subject: Implementation of General Court decision on Western Sahara

According to the Rules of Procedure of the General Court of the European Union, 'a judgment shall be binding from the date of its delivery' (Article 120), while the Statute of the European Court of Justice states that 'an appeal shall not have suspensory effect' (Article 60).

As the Council has decided not to ask for interim measures while lodging its appeal in relation to Case T-512/12 (Front Polisario v Council)¹, the EU institutions are under the obligation to implement the decision of the General Court.

Can the Commission detail all the measures taken by the Council and the Commission in order to implement GC Case T-512/12, including regarding the renegotiation of the EU-Morocco Association Agreement in order to respect the exclusive rights of the Sahrawi people over their natural resources?

Can the Commission detail all the measures regarding the recovery of undue VAT exemptions under the nullified Protocol of 2012 and the consequences of the out-of-quota exports with respect to the EU-Morocco Association Agreement of 2000?

¹ GC, 10.12.2016, ECLI:EU:T:2015:953.