

**Question for written answer E-000334/2017
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Monitoring of Spanish nuclear power stations

In recent days we have learned that the Spanish Nuclear Safety Council (CSN) has introduced changes to the rules on resident inspections in operational nuclear power stations. According to the new rules, inspectors cannot talk directly with CSN specialists to answer questions on potential findings in the power stations that they monitor; instead, they have to send them to the resident inspectors area coordinator, a practice which could reduce their capacity to analyse the contents of notes raised by the inspectors.

Was the Commission aware of this rule change? What view does it take on the change?