Question for written answer E-000462/2017 to the Commission Rule 130 Ramón Jáuregui Atondo (S&D)

Subject: Reopening the Garoña nuclear power plant

This week, in its general meeting, the Spanish Nuclear Safety Council (CSN) began examining a report on extending the operating life of the Santa María de Garoña nuclear power plant to 60 years, following on from a report from CSN technicians in favour of reopening this, Spain's oldest nuclear plant, provided that a series of investments are made with a view to improving its safety.

Given the recent news on the plant, can the Commission say whether it has so received any notification from Nuclenor, its owner, concerning the reopening of the Garoña facility?

Is there any European legislation taking precedence over Spanish law that exempts the plant from the obligation to conduct an environmental impact assessment for its operating licence to be renewed?

In light of Portugal's complaint against the construction of the temporary nuclear waste storage facility at the Almaraz plant, has the Commission ascertained the cross-border impact of reopening Garoña and building this facility at Almaraz?

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