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to the Commission**

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Subject: Disciplinary proceedings against Spain over illegal landfill sites

On 15 March 2017, the Court of Justice of the European Union ruled that in failing to close down 61 illegal landfill sites that posed a serious risk to public health and the environment, Spain was in breach of Directives 2008/98/EC and 1999/31/EC.

This is the second time the Court has found against Spain, the first being in February 2016.

Following the latest judgment, the Commission has launched disciplinary proceedings against Spain.

When the Commission launched these proceedings, the number of illegal landfill sites in operation was 288.

1. What penalties is the Commission likely to impose on Spain and when will it make its decision?
2. Will the Commission assess the risks and damages these illegal landfill sites have caused to public health and the environment, following Spain's repeated failure to take action in this field?