Question for written answer E-006408/2017 to the Commission Rule 130 José Blanco López (S&D)

Subject: Transparency concerning state aid

A recent report by Climate Action Network Europe ('Phasing out 2020') has revealed that the Spanish government publishes no inventory of the state aid it gives for fossil fuels and for other sectors that may harm the environment. The report shows there is a lack of data for 56% of fiscal support instruments for fossil fuels. This stands in contrast to the information provided by the governments of other countries, such as Germany and Italy.

What is the Commission's opinion on this lack of transparency? Has it asked for greater transparency from the Spanish government and the remaining Member States on the issue, and does it plan to publish recommendations or introduce legal obligations to this effect?

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