Question for written answer E-001783/2019 to the Commission Rule 130 Maria Lidia Senra Rodríguez (GUE/NGL)

Subject: Damage to the area around A Lanzada beach

The countryside around A Lanzada, a beach in Sanxenxo (Galicia, Spain), has been designated as a special conservation area (SAC) and as a special protection area (SPA) for birds. It is also part of the Natura 2000 network. Two separate phases of dune regeneration work have been completed in the area. A third phase began in 2009 and is still ongoing. The work involves removing part of the PO-308 road in order to regenerate existing dunes, widen the beach and improve road safety.

Despite this, however, in 2016 roadworks on the PO-308 began with the aim of building a footpath and a cycle path (although no cycle path has been built). The dunes were dug up and the surrounding land used as a rubbish dump and parking area for heavy machinery. The Con do Cormorán megalithic site has also been affected by the work.

Parts of the wooden boardwalk have been blown away on three occasions, hitting a local school. What is more, the work has been carried out without taking account of geological surveys, and a concrete base has been laid.

- 1. Is the Commission aware that European funding has been allocated for a cycle path that has not been built? And is it aware of the damage that the work is causing to the dunes?
- 2. Does the Commission take the view that the work is consistent with the nature conservation measures in place in the area?

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