

**Question for written answer P-014717/2015  
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Spain's independent fiscal institution and access to information

In written question E-010413/2014 of 9 December 2014 we asked the Commission whether, under Organic Law 6/2013, Spain's independent fiscal institution (AIReF) had the degree of independence it needed to carry out its remit.

The Commission replied that it did, but also pointed out, however, that 'implementing legislation to spell out AIReF's right to access information was pending at the cut-off date of the Staff Working Document'.

That right of access is governed by Ministerial Order HAP/128/2015, which, according to a report published in the newspaper *El Mundo* on 12 November 2015, the AIReF has challenged in the High Court.

According to the report, the AIReF thinks that the order constitutes 'a breach of its independence' and 'hampers the organisation's right to access information quickly and in a flexible manner'.

Does the Commission take the view that the ministerial order is consistent with the relevant standards as regards access to information on the part of the AIReF?