Question for written answer P-000309/2017 to the Commission Rule 130 José Inácio Faria (PPE)

Subject: The Almaraz nuclear power plant and its customised temporary storage facility

Following on from the questions concerning the Almaraz plant that I asked Commissioner Cañete directly, I would like to ask for clarification on the following:

- 1. The stress test results for Almaraz obliged Spain to shore up its safety measures by the end of 2016, something it has still not fully done. What justification have the Spanish authorities given the Commission for this delay, which has, of course, serious consequences for safety at this obsolete plant whose working life has already been temporarily extended?
- 2. Is the Commission monitoring the process of compliance with obligations imposed by the stress tests and has it received reports justifying the delays and the amounts already invested in such plants?
- 3. The imminent start of works to construct a customised temporary storage facility will inevitably increase safety risks at Almaraz. As the the Commission is engaged in following up the stress test it must be aware of the project to build this facility. Has it therefore alerted the Spanish authorities of the need to comply with EU law in respect of this project, given its serious environmental consequences across the border in Portugal?