

WRITTEN QUESTION E-1251/09  
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to the Commission

Subject: Illegal use of wells for irrigation

With regard to the proceedings opened by the Commission against various Member States for illegal use of water in agriculture:

1. How many infringement proceedings have been opened against the Kingdom of Spain in the last five years for illegal use of wells for irrigation, and in which autonomous communities?
2. Given that some of the crops being irrigated with this illegally obtained water may be being subsidised with Community funds, what type of crops is this water being used for, and in which autonomous communities has the practice been identified in the last five years?