Question for written answer E-013549/2013 to the Commission Rule 117 Fiona Hall (ALDE)

Subject: Property embargoes in Spain

I previously tabled a parliamentary question (E-003952/2013) to the Commission regarding the properties built in Murcia by a company called MASA which have had embargoes placed on them. Since the persons who paid for these properties never received their title deeds, they now have to undertake legal action in order to have the embargoes lifted.

The Commission responded to my previous question stating that it had recently sent a letter to the Spanish authorities enquiring as to its actions engaged at national level to address the lack of issuance of title deeds.

Can the Commission confirm whether or not the Spanish authorities have responded to the its enquiry, and whether the it is aware of what the Spanish authorities are doing to address the lack of issuance of title deeds?

Furthermore, can the Commission confirm whether the property developer MASA has acted in contradiction of the rules laid down in Directive 2005/29/EC on unfair commercial practices and Directive 93/13/EEC on unfair terms in consumer contracts, by withholding the title deeds from the property owners?