Question for written answer E-002829/2019 to the Commission

Rule 138

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Subject: Testing for radioactive waste dumped off the Galician coast

In its answer to written guestion E-000725/2019 on the dumping of radioactive waste off the Galician coast, the Commission stated that it is up to Spain, and indeed all the Member States, to monitor radioactivity in their waters, and that the Commission is entitled to carry out 'verification missions' in any Member State. This includes the monitoring of marine radioactivity off the coast of Galicia as part of the Commission's verification mission programme for 2020, following which the Commission will decide what action to take.

Given that, since 2003, no verification has been carried out nor any data made available, a verification mission needs to be conducted. Radioactive containers have disintegrated, probably giving rise to radiation leaks. This is a matter of concern for the Galician people, who have a right to know the truth and to demand that radioactivity testing be carried out.

Could the Commission state when in 2020 the verification mission will be conducted?

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