Question for written answer E-000167/2022 to the Commission

Rule 138

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Subject: Follow-up on question E-004998/2020 on the failure to freeze assets belonging to Delcy

Rodríguez

In connection with the Madrid-Barajas suitcase incident of 20 January 2020 and in its answer to question E-004998/2020 of 19 February 2021, the Commission described the allegations of breaches of EU restrictive measures against Delcy Rodríguez, vice-president under the Nicolás Maduro regime, as 'credible'.

The Commission also states that it has approached the competent Spanish authorities to discuss these allegations, and that it follows up with authorities on the outcome of any national investigations.

In the light of the above:

- 1. Have communications between the Commission and the Spanish Government concerning breaches of EU restrictive measures against Delcy Rodríguez been brought to a close yet?
- 2. What conclusions have been drawn from the exchanges with any Spanish Government concerning the arrival of Delcy Rodríguez at Madrid-Barajas airport, supposedly with a large number of suitcases potentially containing cash or other assets?
- 3. In view of any investigation findings, what action does the Commission intend to take in response to the Spanish Government's failure to fulfil its obligations under EU law to freeze 'all funds and economic resources' which are 'owned, held or controlled' by Delcy Rodríguez within EU territory?