Question for written answer E-000880/2022 to the Commission

Rule 138

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Subject: The 'renovation wave' and the Recovery and Resilience Facility

In the Commission Staff Working Document accompanying the communication entitled 'A Renovation Wave for Europe'1, the Commission states that '[w]hen preparing their national Recovery and Resilience Plans, Member States are encouraged to define reform priorities that could successfully tackle the existing barriers to building renovation, and consider allocating the necessary funding for these reforms'.

In Spain, the authorities in municipalities such as Vigo, Ferrol and Lugo take up to a year to grant renovation permits and permits allowing the occupation of buildings once they have been renovated. The Galician Government has reported that these delays are blocking its housing renovation policy².

- 1. Does the Commission not think that the national recovery and resilience plan approved by the Spanish Government should include a reform of municipal licensing procedures for the renovation of buildings, to prevent those procedures from dragging on too long?
- 2. Has the Spanish Government allocated funding from the Recovery and Resilience Facility to help speed up municipal licensing procedures for the renovation of buildings?

¹ SWD(2020)0550

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https://www.lavozdegalicia.es/noticia/galicia/2022/02/09/feijooacusa-alcaldes-psoe-bng-bloquear-politica-vivienda-retrasar-licencias/00031644400849443240930.htm