Question for written answer E-000362/2023 to the Commission Rule 138 Isabel Benjumea Benjumea (PPE), Dolors Montserrat (PPE), José Manuel Fernandes (PPE), Siegfried Mureşan (PPE)

Subject: Recovery and Resilience Facility, NextGeneration EU: Compliance with milestones and goals

Spain's recovery, transformation and resilience plan was adopted on 12 July 2021. Both the Council's executive decision, which approves that plan, and the later operational arrangement contain the calendar of milestones and goals that Spain has to fulfil in order to receive each stage of funding of the Recovery and Resilience Facility.

On 11 November 2022, the Spanish Government requested the payment of the third stage of funding, which amounted to EUR 6 billion. In the request form for this payment, the Spanish Government had to justify how it had complied with 23 milestones and 6 goals during the first semester of 2022.

Given the above:

- 1. Has the Spanish Government asked to postpone any of the milestones or goals which had to be achieved by 30 June 2022, in order to be able to present the payment request for the third stage of funding?
- 2. Did the Spanish Government ask to change the requirements of any of the milestones or goals which had to be fulfilled by 30 June 2022, in order to be able to present the payment request for the third stage of funding?

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