

**Question for written answer E-000421/2023
to the Commission**

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Subject: Statements made by the President of the Balearic Islands about the purchase of homes by EU citizens who are not resident in the islands

The President of the Balearic Islands, Francina Armengol, has confirmed that her government is working on the possibility of putting a limit on the purchase of homes by people who are not resident in the Balearic Islands, including EU citizens.

The proposal is at odds with the EU's policies of free movement of people and capital and the EU's legal order. In view of this, the President of the Balearic Islands has stated that she hopes the Spanish EU Council Presidency will be able to amend the regulations in order to implement the measure, since it is an area that falls within the EU's responsibility.

In light of the new plans by the Governments of the Balearic Islands and Spain in relation to amending EU policy and using the Spanish Council Presidency in favour of electoral interests, rather than the interests of EU citizens:

1. Has the Spanish Government informed the Commission about its position on the EU policies of free movement of people and capital?
2. What steps can the Commission take to prevent a Member State from causing the breakdown of the EU's legal order?

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