

**Question for written answer E-003148/2023  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Attacks on the Spanish wine sector in France

On 19 October 2023, around 500 French vine-growers and winemakers organised a demonstration to stop Spanish wine passing through the Le Boulou border crossing. The attacks did not just block the goods; in some cases, the French producers ambushed the trucks and dumped the wine they were carrying. These actions damage not just the Spanish farming sector, but also the free movement of goods within the EU, protected under Articles 26 and 28 to 37 of the EU Treaty, and they undermine one of the main freedoms enshrined in the Union. In this context and in view of the threat by the French wine sector to continue blocking Spanish products if its own government does not respond to its demands:

1. What is the Commission's position on this unjustified blockade and its consequences for the EU's internal market?
2. What measures will it put in place to stop these attacks?

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