Question for written answer E-000244/2024 to the Commission Rule 138 César Luena (S&D)

Subject: Improper use of EU funds intended for cycle lanes in Logroño (La Rioja)

The changes to public policies in the municipality of Logroño (La Rioja), in particular the removal of cycle lanes, have been criticised and opposed by a number of environmental organisations as they have serious consequences for the environment and the health of the city's residents.

Moreover, since NextGenerationEU funds were granted to continue the installation of cycle lanes previously financed by EDUSI funds, the removal of some of those lanes by the new local government could mean that EU funds are being misappropriated.

In view of this:

- 1. Does the Commission believe that this project is compatible with the EU's policies to decarbonise cities?
- 2. What mechanisms is the Commission using to determine if cities such as Logroño are complying with sustainable mobility objectives financed by NextGenerationEU funds?
- Does the Commission intend to impose penalties on Logroño City Council for improper use of EU funds?

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