

**Question for written answer E-000566/2024/rev.1
to the Commission**

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Subject: Precarious situation of Aragonese, a language at risk of extinction

Last December, the Government of Aragon presented its 2024 budgets, which – in addition to confirming the abolition of the Directorate-General for Language Policy, the sole authority competent to promote the use of the Aragonese language – were amended by the far-right VOX party to eliminate the only subsidy available to the Aragonese Academy of Language, after the exclusion from the Spanish State budget.

In addition to the cuts affecting this language, which is endangered according to UNESCO, the PP-VOX government announced that, as of June, it would amend the Heritage Law included in the Statute of Autonomy of Aragon, which protects Aragon's two languages – Aragonese and Catalan – to get rid of this recognition. Moreover, it was announced that the Aragonese Institute and the Aragonese Institute of Catalan, within said Academy, will be abolished.

In view of this:

1. Is the Commission aware of this change regarding the two autochthonous languages of Aragon?
2. Is there any EU fund to finance the Aragonese Academy of Language given the refusal to include it in the budgets?
3. Are there any measures aimed at sanctioning governments that abolish departments for the protection of endangered languages?

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