

WRITTEN QUESTION P-1628/09  
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to the Commission

Subject: ICIO tax exemption in favour of the Catholic Church in Spain

The Commission, in its answer E-0774/08 of 2 April 2008 relating to the ICIO tax exemption in favour of the Catholic Church in Spain, and previously on 27 August 2007, indicated that a detailed analysis of this exemption had been initiated in cooperation with the Spanish authorities, that 'the Commission is examining Spain's response' and that 'the Commission will inform directly the Honourable Members of the results of its review once the examination of Spain's arguments is completed.'

Since 11 months have passed since its last answer promising to provide us with the results of this review:

Could the Commission inform us of the response given by the Spanish authorities? Could it also inform us what conclusions the Commission has reached almost one year after launching the investigation?