

Question for written answer E-015103/2015
to the Commission
Rule 130
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Subject: Loss of healthcare assistance after spending periods of over 90 days abroad

On 1 June 2015, in its answer to written question E-004007/15 on the legislative reform approved in Spain permitting the withdrawal of the health card from Spanish citizens after 90 days' stay outside the country, the Commission stated that the Spanish authorities had given details concerning Spanish Law No 22/2013 of 23 December 2013 and the categories of person concerned. The Commission also stated that as a result of the Spanish authorities' reply it had further questions to ask regarding the practical application of EU rules on social security coordination, and that it was continuing its efforts to obtain clarifications from the Spanish authorities that would enable it to assess the conformity of Spanish Law No 22/2013 with European law.

Can the Commission indicate:

1. Whether it has received the clarifications it needs from the Spanish Government?
2. If so, does it see this Spanish law as breaching the right to reside anywhere in the EU and therefore consider it necessary to open infringement proceedings under Article 258 TFEU?