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To the Bureau of the Galician Parliament

The Galician Nationalist Bloc's Parliamentary Group, on the initiative of the deputies Xosé Luis Rivas Cruz, Ana Belén Pontón Mondelo, Olalla Rodil Fernández, Montserrat Prado Cores, Noa Presas Bergantiños and Xosé Luis Bará Torres, pursuant to the provisions of this Chamber's Regulation, presents the following non-legislative motion to be debated in the Committee.

The environmental platform "contraMINAción" has reported the existence of a toxic mud pond in the premises of the San Finx mine in Lousame (A Coruña). This pond covers, according to their estimations, 5 hectares, and is contained by an old concrete dike in a critical state of disrepair.

According to them, the precarious state of the pond could represent a serious danger to the environment, since the breaking of such retaining dike could cause a large toxic spill in the Ría of Muros and Noia, that would also affect the main economic activity of the estuary, cause enormous losses in fishing and shellfish farming.

This complaint requires an appropriate inspection, with examinations and precautionary measures needed by the Galician Government, since according to article 46 of the current law on mine management, it falls within the obligations of the Ministry in charge of mining matters to check the compliance with mining law. In addition, the complaint also requires cooperation with municipalities to adopt measures to ensure the appropriate environmental security conditions of mining activities in the municipality.

Consequently, we propose the following non-legislative motion for debate in the committee:

"The Galician Parliament urges the Galician Government to:

- Inspect the premises of the San Finx mine in Lousame, in particular the toxic mud pond in its surroundings.
- Adopt the pertinent precautionary measures to ensure the appropriate conservation of the retaining dike.
- Once the most urgent measures are agreed on, initiate a procedure in order to carry out the necessary examinations to check the proper implementation of all environmental measures of the mine, and if applicable, adopt the appropriate punitive and corrective measures."

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