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Prosecution and defense requests for exemption from the sister of King Philip VI

Start the trial by diverting 6.2 millio

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USPA NEWS - The anti-corruption prosecutor and the defense of the Infanta Cristina of Bourbon requested Monday at the start of the open trial for the alleged diversion of 6.2 million of public money, which exonerated the sister of King Philip VI.

The prosecutor and the defense asked for the annulment of the indictment against the Infanta Cristina of Bourbon, since neither the prosecution nor the tax office and only the incriminating union Clean Hands accused of being cooperative needed in the crimes committed by her husband, former international handball player Inaki Urdangarin. They consider that, to keep the charge of the union, they would be violating the "fundamental rights" of the sister of King Philip IV of Spain.

At the start of the trial, held in the capital of the Balearic Islands in the Spanish Mediterranean, and has aroused great media interest, the anti-corruption prosecutor and the lawyer of the Infanta requested the Court to the union Clean Hands delegitimize as accusation, based on the consolidated doctrine of the Supreme Court and the Constitutional Court, called 'doctrine Botin', whereby if the prosecutor or the injured party did not accuse any particular prosecution may ask the incrimination of a person. Quite the opposite of what defended the union Clean Hands lawyer, who asked that the Infanta is not given any "privilege of immunity".

Cristina of Bourbon is the first member of the Spanish Royal Family sitting on the dock and it has in relation to alleged crimes committed by her husband, Inaki Urdangarin, for whom the prosecutor requested a sentence of 19 years prison, the same penalty as requested for its partner Diego Torres. Both are accused of being the brains of a fraud committed by Nóos Institute, a nonprofit organization that received millions in public subsidies. Urdangarin and his partner would have diverted 6.2 million euros of export subsidies.

The first day of trial was devoted to the solution of preliminary issues. The view will continue on February 9 and, unless otherwise agreed between the parties, is expected to last at least six months. Alongside Urdangarin and his partner are accused former Prime Minister of the Balearic Islands, Jaume Matas, and a senior official of the Spanish Royal Family. Indeed, Diego Torres based his defense on the fact that he says, the Spanish Royal Family was aware of the activities and approved of the Institute Nóos.

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