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The Court requires the sister of King Philip VI to sit on the dock

Throughout the corruption trial

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USPA NEWS - When on February 9 to resume in the Provincial Court of Palma, in the Balearic Islands, the judgment of 'case Noos' Infanta Cristina de Borbon, sister of King Philip VI of Spain will again sit on the dock and there she shall remain until the end of the process.

The Court Friday rejected the appeal of the Infanta, seeking his acquittal of the crimes alleged against him. His lawyers appealed to the so-called 'doctrine Botin', according to which, when neither the Prosecution nor the injured party accuse a suspect, Prosecution simply not enough to sustain demand. This was decided by the Supreme Court in 2007, which limited the action of the specific allegations in a lawsuit against the then president of Banco Santander, Emilio Botin, and three other directors of the company, in a lawsuit over credit assignments that was finally dismissed.

Lawyers for the Infanta Cristina de Borbon claimed that the same doctrine was applied to his client, since neither the Anti-Corruption Prosecution nor the Tax Agency accuse and one asks the union Clean Hands cooperative processing as required in two tax offenses for which it calls for a sentence of eight years in prison. However, the Court rejected the appeal of the defense and criticizes the "striking passion" of the Anti-Corruption Prosecutor at the time of request to be exempted to the King's sister.

Cristina de Borbon was co-owner, with her husband, former international handball player Inaki Urdangarin, the FVC Aizoon, which was used to divert funds illegally obtained by the company Noos. According to the notary who assisted them in those years, Urdangarin used his wife as "tax shield" to procure impunity, believing that no one would act against the Royal Family.

The Court concluded that there is "strong evidence" that the Infanta participate in the illegal activities of her husband, but the union Clean Hands accused of "empty accounts" of Noos through Aizoon, waged on false invoices and making services spend personal expenses as deductible corporation tax. According to the union, would have participated in the fictional "recruitment for tax benefits" or "auto fictitious rental of housing," as well as in office Society "counseling and coaching", "children's parties" their children, a safari in Africa and catering to his birthday.

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