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Spanish Supreme Court will investigate the King Emeritus for alleged corruption

In the works of the AVE to Mecca

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USPA NEWS - The Prosecutor's Office of the Spanish Supreme Court has undertaken the investigation of an alleged corruption case in the award to Spain of the works of the AVE (high-speed train) to Mecca, specifically, the section between Medina and Mecca. The Office of the Prosecutor tries to find out if commissions were paid and if they were paid to the then King and today King Emeritus, Juan Carlos de Borbón.

The investigation refers to Phase II of the construction of the high-speed railway line, the so-called 'desert AVE' that connects the cities of Medina and Mecca, in Saudi Arabia. This investigation "focuses, precisely, on delimiting or ruling out the criminal relevance of the events that occur after the month of June 2014, at which time King Emeritus was no longer protected by the inviolability that article 56.3 of the Spanish Constitution recognizes the Head of State," said the Prosecutor's Office on Monday in a press release. The prosecutor has ordered the practice of new proceedings that directly affect the King Emeritus, who is currently before the Second Chamber of the Supreme Court.

On June 5, the General Prosecutor of the State issued a Decree appointing for this investigation the Prosecutor of the Supreme Court of the specialty of Economic Crimes, Juan Ignacio Campos Campos, who with exhaustive knowledge of what is called Economic Criminal Law, adds his extensive experience as Chief Prosecutor of one of the criminal sections of the Supreme Court Prosecutor's Office.

"Given the institutional significance of this investigation, the person who meets the highest category of the fiscal career is appointed, who has an extraordinary qualification and experience. In addition, it will be assisted by a team made up of three prosecutors from the Supreme Court, who will assume the undeniable technical complexity of these investigative procedures," concludes the Prosecutor's Office.

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