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Spanish Monarchy: Gender Equality, Language Equality

Organització pel Multilingüisme (Organisation for Multilingualism) has publicly begun its “Plural Monarchy” campaign. The objective of this campaign is to regulate the linguistic uses of members of the Royal Family.

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Campaign Objectives

The campaign’s main objective is to ensure that The Crown, the highest representation of the Spanish State, adopts as its own—and fully uses—the Spanish, Catalan/Valencian, Galician and Basque languages. More specifically, Organització pel Multilingüisme demands the following:

1. For all members of the Royal Family —HM King Juan Carlos (King John Charles I), HM Queen Sofia (Queen Sophia), HRH Prince Felipe (Prince Philip) and HRH Princess Letizia (Princess Letizia) in particular— to use all four languages in all public appearances in which they address the citizens of the Spanish State.

2. For all members of the Royal Family — King Juan Carlos, Queen Sofia, Prince Felipe and Princess Letizia in particular— to demonstrate a preference for the language that is not Spanish when visiting Autonomous Communities with two co—official languages.
3. For all members of the Royal Family to use all four languages when representing the Spanish State in international forums and events.
4. For all school age members of the Royal Family to have an educational programme which, in addition to Spanish, includes the learning of Catalan/Valencia, Galician and Basque to an adequate level.
5. For the Royal House to use a plurilingual denomination in all of its documentation, including its web page. As well as to hold communication with citizens and private and state organisations in the Spanish language of their choice.
6. For the birth register of the Royal House to be plurilingual and the names of all members of the Royal Family to be entered in Spanish, Catalan/Valencian, Galician and Basque.
7. For suppliers to the Royal House to use Spanish, Catalan/Valencian, Galician and Basque on all of their products.
8. For all state symbology linked to the Royal House, including coins and stamps, to incorporate Spanish, Catalan/Valencia, Galician and Basque.

In addition, the Royal House should demonstrate special consideration for the Asturian, Aragonese and Occitan (Aranese) languages.

A Historic Opportunity: Gender Equality, Language Equality

The Spanish Government has expressed its will and its commitment to change the Spanish Constitution of 1978 during its current term of office (2004—2008), so that both genders are guaranteed the equal right of succession to the throne.

Organització pel Multilingüisme requests that this change be taken advantage of in order to regulate, by law and within an egalitarian plurilingual frame, the use members of the Royal Family make of Spanish, Catalan/Valencian, Galician and Basque.

Campaign Activities: Motions addressed to Town Councils and Organisations

The “Plural Monarchy” campaign consists of several activities, which will be carried out until the aforementioned objectives have been met.

Organització pel Multilingüisme is now in the process of presenting the motions it will send out to the municipal authorities of various Autonomous Communities, both those with two co—official languages, as well as those where the only official language is Spanish. These motions will then be approved and sent to their addressees.

These motions can also be approved by any type of organisation. The motion approved, in Catalan/Valenican, by Organització pel Multilingüisme can be consulted in PDF format at: (www.om-plural.org/mocions/mo-mp-OM-cat.pdf). It has already been sent to its addressees by certified mail with request of receipt upon arrival.

Evaluation of the Linguistic Uses of the Crown

Organització pel Multilingüisme is elaborating a questionnaire that will soon be sent out to the members of the Royal Family. The aim of the questionnaire is to evaluate their linguistic skills in Spanish, Catalan/Valencian, Galician and Basque when applied to different areas. It will then be made public, together with the results of the evaluation.

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Note: Organització pel Multilingüisme does not wish to state its opinion on the political model of the Spanish State. It considers the state's model in no way related to its activities nor, in particular, to its "Plural Monarchy" campaign. The organisation's only objective is for the central institutions of the state to move towards adopting an egalitarian plurilingual model in all of its symbols and institutions.

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