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The Spanish Government defends their budgets to guarantee growth

Debate in Parliament

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USPA NEWS - On Tuesday and Wednesday, the Spanish Government submit to consideration of the parliamentary groups of the Lower House the State budget for 2016. The most important economic debate of the year it reflects the distance between the conservative Government of Mariano Rajoy and other forces policies.

Rajoy was present at the debate over the defense budget by Finance Minister Cristobal Montoro, but its delegation to the minister was criticized by some opposition groups for those who should be the Prime Minister in charge of defending their budgets. The Spanish Government has presented accounts that provide a total revenue of EUR 137.546.731.000 and EUR 248.718.642.290 the expenditure, according to the minister Montoro, who are "ensuring that the Spanish economy will continue to grow." Some accounts labeled "social character", according to the Government, because they fight against inequality and pursue job creation.

Montoro said in his speech that the budgets for 2016 "will be committed" by the electoral promises of the Popular Party (PP) "and for the economic reality constructed in recent years." Although defense budgets made by the minister of Finance, all opposition parties except the Navarre regionalist UPN, calling for the return to the Government of the economic project. All thirteen amendments were tabled and will be voted on in this debate.

For the opposition, the Finance Minister's speech was "electioneering", a "meeting show" as defined by a spokesman of the parliamentary left. In general, all groups of the Lower House, except the conservative PP, holding the Government, felt that the speech was electioneering. Catalan nationalists announced their rejection of Government accounts "because it seems that the crisis has already been done." In this regard, the spokesman nationalist Canarian denounced that the Government budgets "encourage poverty and social exclusion".

Of "election advertising" Basque nationalists branded the speech of Finance Minister. And the spokesman for the Catalan independence left, Joan Tarda, said he was "sick" and "outraged" by "cynical smiles Mr. Montoro, who lies over and over again without any shame." Catalan separatists believe that the Spanish Government punishes them for the announcement of plebiscitary elections in Catalonia for September 27.

In the halls of Congress, Rajoy stressed that the draft budget for 2016 is "a sign of responsibility" and gives "security" and "certainty" to all economic and social agents. The majority of the PP in Congress ensures that budgets will spend the entire process of debate. After, the articles were discussed. It will be the final debate of the legislature because, after the final adoption of the budget, scheduled for October, Rajoy will dissolve Parliament and call elections.

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