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El caso Villarejo tiene a partir de hoy un nuevo directivo implicado en las órdenes de espionaje del comisario retirado José Manuel Villarejo. El magistrado encargado del caso Tándem, Manuel García Castellón, ha admitido haber tramitado una denuncia interpuesta contra la entidad, el expresidente Francisco González y el actual titular de Auditoría Interna, **Joaquín Gortari**. Los dos primeros ya están siendo investigados en el caso, aunque el ex mano derecha de FG aún no había estado involucrado en este proceso penal dirigido por la Audiencia Nacional.

El instructor ha dado luz verde a [la denuncia interpuesta el 4 de marzo por el abogado Felipe Izquierdo](#) al conocer que podría ser víctima de vigilancia que, según dijo, implicó una **“flagrante violación”** de su privacidad así como una vulneración de sus derechos fundamentales. . En su escrito relató los hechos destacando que ocurrieron cuando Gortari era **director del gabinete de la presidencia** y afirmó que constituirían soborno activo, revelación de secretos y corrupción en los [negocios](#) . Estos son los delitos que imputa el magistrado a los investigados en esta novena pieza del caso Tándem por labores de espionaje que, según Anticorrupción, eran de **carácter ilícito** teniendo en cuenta la incompatibilidad de estos trabajos privados con la condición de funcionario activo de Villarejo.

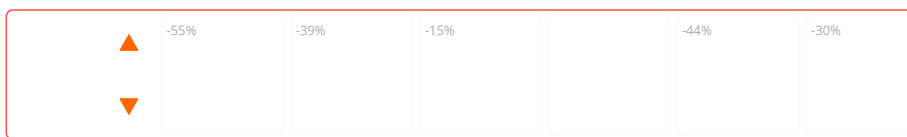
Ahora el instructor da luz verde a su pedido e involucra a Gortari por primera vez en el caso debido a su gestión bajo la presidencia de Francisco González. Es así como accede en un [auto](#) al que ha tenido acceso a **Información** y en el que explica que la admisión de la denuncia penal ha contado con el **informe favorable de los fiscales Anticorrupción** al frente del caso. Asimismo, el juez acuerda que el abogado esté presente en el juzgado para que su denuncia pueda ser ratificada. Cabe recordar que, aunque no compareció como imputado en el caso, Gortari fue uno de los altos funcionarios a los que el banco **abrió expediente sancionador** en el marco de sus investigaciones internas para esclarecer los contratos de la entidad con la red del agente encubierto.



Informe forense preliminar

The plaintiff lawyer, who is litigating in cases of an economic nature such as the one related to the resolution of the Banco Popular, based his request on the conclusions reached in the preliminary report of PwC according to which the focus would have been on

“**professional and personal**” aspects of his person. “The identification of various documents during the review of the physical file of BBVA (boxes associated with the Presidency) that evidences the inquiries made in March 2014, **with the possible knowledge of Don Joaquín Gortari**, on professional and personal aspects of the Barcelona lawyer Felipe Izquierdo, making use of information that would foreseeably come from closed sources (not public) and including an anonymous intelligence report “, reads this part of the forensic.



However, the work carried out by the audit firm also identified Gortari in some emails exchanged with former executives in which follow-up assignments were discussed. For example, and within the framework of **project rick** Regarding the espionage of Luis Carlos Palacios and Joaquín Arespacochaga, they found an email sent by the former director of Risks, Antonio Béjar, to Gortari. In the communication he told him that they would deliver “**in hand some additional info**” about this particular job. The email attached a note from the property registry of the El Escorial estate that would have been evaluated by Francisco González “for his personal purchase.”

Asset investigations

In this way, the forensic identifies that Gortari was the recipient, mainly between 2013 and 2014, of more internal communications which would refer to **patrimonial investigations** that affected the then president of the entity. Another example can be found in the messages that Béjar already met in October 2014, in which the latter sent him the draft of an appraisal report on the ‘Por Vera de Guadalmina’ farm. The document was requested at the request of **Belegar Inversiones SL** (Francisco González company).

In the absence of knowing what the follow-ups denounced by the Catalan lawyer consisted of, for the moment the magistrate has decided to admit his complaint for processing at a time when this ninth piece of the Tandem case **it is reactivated after the summer break**. The instructor resumes the investigations with the forensic at the center of the debate, on the one hand due to BBVA’s request that the parties stop using it in their defense to insult the bank and, on the other, in the face of the complaint made by some defendants of this inner work. Both Antonio Béjar and the Director of Corporate Security, Inés Ochagavía, are willing to testify before the instructor to denounce in court the **PwC “errors”**. Anti-corruption has already given the go-ahead for these two petitions to be produced, which the investigating magistrate now has to resolve.

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