

Asociacion owners of the Urbanization Canals (Roses) Santa Margarita/ Costa Brava

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Private property situated at the canals will become public property!

The municipality council of the well known touristic spot Roses located at the Costa Brava declares the private owned berths in the Urbanisation Santa Margarita to public property! Santa Margarita contains a canal system which allows that the property owners with their boats can reach the open sea.

These berths were in part created in converting part of the land into a berth and were paid for by the owners. They majority has been bought through a notary and are registered at the land registry. In addition a 6m wide public access way will be installed for nautical purposes that will pass right through gardens and houses.

This is all contained in the, on the 22.12.09 passed, area utilisation plan (POUM) of the municipality Roses.

The administration of the municipality refers to the Spanish LEY de COSTA and the Catalan Port Law which will be retroactive applied to the since 1960, on a different legal base, build urbanization. Affected are aproximatly 1500 berths and 500 private properties.

Many are owned by foreigners , also germans.

The Catalan regional authorities and the municipality will charge for usage and upkeep of the former privat owned berths heavy fees.

The affected call this act, without compensation, expropriation and a violation of EUROPEAN RIGHT- The application of the LEY de Costas.to an urbanization which is located in an old lake and river area see this as an abuse of this ley and believe that commercial interests are the driving force for it all. Aproximately 300 objections have been filed by the affected , giving apperent violations of rights and enviromental violations by the authorities as reasons, did not defer the council from passing that decision, answer will be given collectively.

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