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## END OF THE SANDCASTLES



**T**HE Palma city council sent the bulldozers in yesterday to demolish five giant sandcastles which had been built on the beach in the Playa de Palma. The sandcastles were removed for hygiene reasons, according to the council. They are usually built at the start of the summer then maintained throughout the season with donations being collected from beach-goers. But yesterday it all came down with the demolition order being issued by police.

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### Catalonia leader to be tried over separatist propaganda

*Madrid.*—The leader of the Spanish region of Catalonia, Quim Torra, will be tried for disobedience after he failed to obey an order to remove separatist propaganda from public offices during election campaigning, the regional court said yesterday.

During campaigning for national and local elections in April and May regional leaders were required to remove partisan messages from public offices. But Torra continued to display yellow ribbons - a protest against the jailing of Catalan independence leaders - from government buildings.

He could be removed from office for up to two years for failing to comply with the order. The court announced its intention to try him in a tweet.

Torra has said he disobeyed because the order was at odds with a resolution adopted by the Catalan parliament and the character of the yellow ribbons was open to subjective interpretation.

Many of the politicians and civil leaders involved in a failed push for secession for the wealthy region two years ago were subsequently arrested, and are now awaiting the decision of the courts, or fled the country and live in self-imposed exile.

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