

Question for written answer E-001606/2025
to the Commission
Rule 144
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Subject: Aviation safety and implementation of EU rules

Critical issues for flight safety in Greece are being raised due to serious malfunctions in the ‘non-operational’ aircraft collision control and warning system, especially in the terminal area of Athens airport, which are being denounced by the Greek Association of Air Traffic Controllers (AATC).¹

The AATC is sounding the alarm due to outdated surveillance and communications equipment, inadequate staffing and other dangerous – mainly during periods of increased air traffic – operational and working conditions. The above conditions potentially jeopardise the country's compliance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1139,² Regulation (EU) 139/2014³ and Regulation (EU) 965/2012,⁴ which require high safety standards in civil aviation and the proper functioning of air traffic systems.

In light of the above:

1. How does the Commission assess the complaints regarding the operational status of the air collision avoidance system in Greece?
2. Has it carried out (or does it intend to carry out), through the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) and other competent bodies, an updated review of the status of the National Air Traffic Systems in Member States with identified gaps, such as, for example, Greece?
3. What measures does it intend to put in place to ensure Greece’s full compliance with the EU aviation safety framework and the modernisation/functionality of air traffic systems?

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¹ https://www.flash.gr/epistoli-vomva-ton-elegkton-enaerias-kykloforias-tyflo-to-systima-proeidopoiisis-sygkroyisis-982188?utm_source=chatgpt.com.

² <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=celex:32018R1139>

³ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2014/139/oj/eng>

⁴ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2012/965/oj/eng>