

**Question for written answer E-002785/2025
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Greece's compliance with the horizontal enabling condition on the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU

In the light of the Commission's reply to Written Question E-772/2025¹, namely that 'Greece, as all Member States, must demonstrate HEC compliance', how does the Commission currently evaluate the effectiveness of the specific Greek mechanisms and their compliance with the horizontal enabling condition (HEC) on the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU, regarding:

1. prosecution services, given the serious doubts recently expressed by the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) as to the effectiveness of criminal investigations into the 'systematic practice' of pushbacks?
2. the National Transparency Authority's independence and methodology, in the light of recent concerns voiced by the ECtHR, and the Ombudsman, in the light of government interference regarding the Pylos shipwreck, including ministerial statements questioning its competence?
3. whether the Commission has put in place guidelines for assessing Charter HEC compliance and criteria to determine circumstances in which it will withhold or suspend EU funds in the event of non-compliance?

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¹ https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-10-2025-000772-ASW_EN.html.