

**Question for written answer E-002929/2025/rev.1
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Abolition of the Greek Payment and Control Agency for Guidance and Guarantee Community Aids (OPEKEPE)

A corruption scandal is unfolding in Greece, where OPEKEPE, the body responsible for managing agricultural subsidies, has become a tool for manipulating nepotistic relationships and secretly distributing billions of euros.

OPEKEPE is under the EU's supervision and is implementing an action plan, while also being investigated by the European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO) for the mismanagement of EU agricultural subsidies. The first case brought by the EPPO involves a wide network of individuals and implicates two former Ministers for Rural Development and Food, Makis Voridis and Lefteris Avgenakis. The scandal has already resulted in the resignation of one minister and three deputy ministers.

In response, the Greek Government has decided to abolish OPEKEPE and integrate it into the Independent Authority for Public Revenue (AADE). This move is widely seen as a desperate attempt to obscure government accountability.

In the light of this:

1. Is the abolition of OPEKEPE and its integration into the AADE compatible with the common agricultural policy's regulations, and has the Commission approved this move?
2. Has the Commission identified specific control failures that enabled the misuse of EU funds in this case?

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