

**Question for written answer E-000327/2026
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Receding rule of law and delays in the delivery of justice in Greece

According to the NGO ‘World Justice Project’ rule of law index for 2025, Greece ranks 48th globally among 143 countries and only 29th among 31 European countries, with a decline in performance in key pillars of the rule of law and evident tensions in the criminal and civil justice system, reflecting chronic delays in the delivery of justice and weaknesses in institutional guarantees¹².

The indicators on the delivery of justice in the EU Justice Scoreboard are also revealing: Greece remains among the Member States with the longest case handling times, which affects citizens’ confidence in the judicial system³.

The systemic deviation from European standards raises questions about the effectiveness of reforms and the extent to which compliance with the values of the rule of law is monitored⁴.

In view of the above:

1. How does the Commission assess Greece's continued decline in international and EU rule of law indicators, in particular in terms of delays in the delivery of justice?
2. Does the Commission intend to strengthen targeted monitoring and binding recommendations on Member States such as Greece?
3. Which EU tools does the Commission consider crucial for a measurable improvement in the efficiency of the Greek justice system?

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¹ https://worldjusticeproject.org/sites/default/files/documents/Greece_3.pdf

² <https://greekreporter.com/2025/10/31/greece-rule-law-dropping-near-bottom-europe/>

³ https://commission.europa.eu/strategy-and-policy/policies/justice-and-fundamental-rights/upholding-rule-law/eu-justice-scoreboard_el

⁴ <https://www.ekathimerini.com/news/1212889/justice-system-scores-poorly-in-eu-rankings>