

**Question for written answer E-001375/2026
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: New developments in the OPEKEPE scandal

Following the multiple investigations it is conducting into the OPEKEPE scandal and the mismanagement of European agricultural subsidies, the European Public Prosecutor's Office forwarded yesterday (1 April 2026) a second case file on the alleged involvement in an organised fraud scheme concerning European agricultural funds of a former Minister and a Deputy Minister of Rural Development and Food, 11 current MPs and five former MPs.¹ Already today (2 April 2026), a new, third case file appears to have already been forwarded indicating incitement to breach of duty of two more current MPs, with the alleged actual perpetrators being OPEKEPE executives.²

Taking into account the ongoing shock waves caused by the OPEKEPE scandal in relation to the mismanagement of European funds, the absence (since September 2024) of an accredited Greek organisation for the management of European agricultural subsidies and the multiple ongoing problems for Greek producers and livestock farmers:

1. What measures does the Commission intend to take and propose to the Greek Government to protect Greek producers and livestock farmers from the new risk of significant delays in the payment of subsidies?
2. What measures does the Commission intend to take so that European funds are not lost but are channelled legally and promptly to their final recipients?
3. What measures does the Commission intend to take and propose to the Greek Government to speed up the investigation process into the new cases as well?

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¹ <https://www.eppo.europa.eu/en/media/news/greece-new-developments-eppos-probe-large-scale-agricultural-subsidy-fraud>

² <https://www.kathimerini.gr/politics/564156088/opekepe-nea-dikografia-gia-dyo-voyleytes-paei-sti-voyli/>,
<https://www.ertnews.gr/roi-idiseon/triti-dikografia-gia-opekepe-apo-tin-eyropaiki-eisaggelia-gia-dyo-en-energeia-voyleytes/>