

**Question for written answer E-001962/2026
to the Commission**

Rule 144

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Subject: Serious rule of law issues from the decision of the Supreme Court Prosecutor not to reopen the wiretapping case

On 26 February 2026, the Single-Member Misdemeanour Court of Athens issued a landmark decision on the wiretapping scandal, finding the defendants guilty and imposing a total prison sentence of 126 years and 8 months¹. At the same time, the case file was forwarded again to the prosecutorial authorities due to sufficient evidence of serious criminal acts despite the previous archiving of the case, given the volume of new evidence that emerged. However, on 27 April 2026, the Prosecutor of the Supreme Court (who, as supervising prosecutor of Greece's national intelligence agency, had signed off the surveillance of eleven individuals who were also targets of Predator²) decided not to retrieve the case from the archive and, therefore, not to order any further investigation³. This decision has provoked strong reactions from society, the political world and the Bar Associations⁴.

Given that, on the basis of the Commission's annual reports on the rule of law, the perceived independence of the judiciary in Greece has been continuously declining in recent years⁵:

1. Does the Commission consider that the practices complained of and the absence of a substantive judicial investigation are in line with Greece's obligations under EU law⁶?
2. Does the Commission intend to include, in its forthcoming report on the rule of law in Greece, specific findings and recommendations to ensure the independence and impartiality of the prosecution, the effective investigation of the wiretapping scandal and Greece's full compliance with EU law?

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¹ <https://www.kathimerini.gr/society/564097165/ypoklopes-enochoi-oi-tesseris-katigoromenoi/>.

² <https://www.in.gr/2026/05/02/greece/ypoklopes-oi-11-stoxoi-tou-predator-pou-eixe-parakolouthisei-i-ey-me-ypografi-tzavella-epikalestike-kathikon-exemytheias/>.

³ <https://www.tovima.gr/2026/04/27/dikaosyni/ypoklopes-areios-pagos-den-anasyrontai-apo-to-arxeio/>.

⁴ <https://olomeleia.gr/el/content/syntonistiki-epitropi-i-pliris-kai-endelehis-ereyna-olon-ton-ypotheseon-kai-idios-ton>,
<https://www.dsa.gr/%CE%B1%CE%BD%CE%B1%CE%BA%CE%BF%CE%B9%CE%BD%CF%8E%CF%83%CE%B5%CE%B9%CF%82/anakoinoseis/psifisma-ektakto-ds-dsa-gia-tis-ypoklopes-2942026-synteyxi-typoi-ston>.

⁵ https://commission.europa.eu/document/download/f2eb4e57-317a-4be4-8baa-b667c9f801d9_el?filename=12_2_63944_coun_chap_greece_el.pdf.

⁶ For example, Articles 7, 8 and 47 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU, the General Data Protection Regulation and Directive 2002/58/EC.