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Subject: Misuse of EU funds in Athens' Prosfygika district: partnership principle violations and fundamental rights concerns

On 6 June 2025, the Attica Region (Greece) adopted decision 864/2025[1] to redevelop the Prosfygika district in Athens using National Strategic Reference Framework (NSRF) funds, with the Commission allocating European Regional Development Fund/European Social Fund Plus (ERDF/ESF+) resources[2].

Without consulting the residents, official documents falsely classify the inhabited complex of Prosfygika as 'vacant', circumventing Article 8 of Regulation (EU)2021/1060[3]. Prosfygika is a vibrant community of 400 people, including 50 minors and vulnerable groups, yet EU social inclusion funds are being used to dismantle an existing social housing model via forced evictions[4][5].

This threat triggered protests, an international solidarity network, and two hunger strikes – one exceeding 120 days[6] - jeopardising lives.

Greece has no national social housing framework, yet the project designates the renovated buildings as social housing – failing to comply with enabling condition 4.4 (Annex IV, Regulation (EU)2021/1060).

1. Was the Commission informed that the complex is inhabited, and does it consider the 'vacant' classification a violation of Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1060?

2. Will the Commission suspend reimbursement under Article 15(6) until Greece's compliance with enabling condition 4.4 is ensured and civil society participation is guaranteed?

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1 Attica Region Decision on Prosfygika: https://diavgeia.gov.gr/decision/view/9%CE%99%CE%98%CE%987%CE%9B7-%CE%9F%CE%A9%CE%96.

2 Commission Implementing Decision C(2026)0158 of 16 February 2026.

3 ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/1060/oj.

4 Statements by Attica Region official sources: https://www.newmoney.gr/roh/palmos-oikonomias/ependyseis/xekina-to-schedio-axiopiisis-gia-ta-prosfigika-tis-leoforou-alexandras-pics/.

5 Press briefing by Government Spokesperson P. Marinakis: https://www.government.gov.gr/enimerosi-ton-politikon-sintakton-ke-antapokriton-xenou-tipou-apo-ton-ifipourgo-para-to-prothipourgo-ke-kivernitiko-ekprosopo-pavlo-marinaki-48/.

6 Hellenic Parliament Question on the hunger strike (Prot. 817, 30/04/2026): https://www.hellenicparliament.gr/Koinovouleftikos-Elenchos/Mesa-Koinovouleutikou-Elegxou?pcm_id=88e5d5ef-16aa-49c0-b898-b43c00f9566d.

3. Given the severe risk to life, what steps will it take to avoid displacement, fundamental rights violations, and further risks to the hunger strikers?

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