

Question for written answer E-004077/2026

to the Commission

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Subject: Making use of METSAF to support Greek fisheries

The Middle East Crisis Temporary State Aid Framework (METSAF), valid until 31 December 2026, allows Member States to cover up to 70 % of the verified additional fuel costs of operators in the fisheries sector.

The Commission has already approved schemes under this framework for fishing companies in a number of Member States, including Spain, Ireland, Malta and Germany. Meanwhile, Greece has already used METSAF to support another sector, with a scheme to provide EUR 41 million for increased fertiliser costs. However, with less than three months to go until the framework expires, there is still no corresponding Greek scheme for fisheries in the Commission's list of approved schemes.

In view of the above, can the Commission answer the following:

1. Has the Greek Government notified or pre-notified a METSAF scheme to support Greek fishing companies and, if so, when and with what budget?
2. If no such notification has been submitted, is there any EU legal or administrative obstacle preventing Greece from immediately activating this specific possibility?

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