

**Question for written answer E-004179/2026/rev.1
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: EUR 52 million of European funds allegedly diverted from support for Greek fisheries

The complaint filed by the ‘Archipelagos’ Institute for Marine Protection at the European Public Prosecutor’s Office raises serious questions about the management of European funds in Greece.¹

According to the allegations, at least EUR 52 million from the Operational Programme for Fisheries and the Sea 2014–2020 have allegedly been directed to activities such as luxury tourist resorts with swimming pools, commercial enterprises and other investments with no obvious connection to fisheries. At the same time, Greek fishers are facing increased costs, a decline in fish stocks and serious difficulties in survival.

In light of the above:

1. Has the Commission been informed of these specific allegations and does it intend to verify the legality, eligibility and real contribution of the funding in question to the objectives of the programme?
2. What checks have been carried out in Greece on the management of the funds in question and have any irregularities or financial corrections been identified?
3. Does the Commission intend to ask the Greek authorities to make full disclosure of the beneficiaries, the selection criteria and the results of the projects and, if irregularities are found, to ensure the recovery of the amounts and effective support for sustainable fisheries?

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¹ <https://www.in.gr/2026/10/12/economy/arxipelagos-kalei-eyropaiki-eisaggelia-52-ekat-eyro-gia-tin-alieia-eginan-viles-pisines-magazia/>.