

Question for written answer E-004215/2026
to the Commission
Rule 144
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Subject: Inadequate waste treatment in Greece and scrutiny of European funding

On 1 October 2026, the Commission decided to refer Greece to the Court of Justice of the European Union for incorrect application of European rules on landfill and waste management.

According to the Commission, 66 out of 81 landfills examined remain non-compliant, while the capacity of mixed municipal waste treatment facilities is insufficient. Despite proceedings starting in 2021 and a reasoned opinion being submitted in December 2024, the actions of the Greek authorities were deemed insufficient. This prolonged situation raises serious questions about the protection of local communities and the environment, the effectiveness of the funded infrastructure and the risk of additional financial burden on citizens.

Can the Commission state:

1. Which are the 66 non-compliant landfills and what specific deficiencies have been identified in each of them?
2. What EU funds have been allocated for waste management infrastructure in the areas concerned and what are the results of the audits of their use?
3. What specific corrective measures and compliance timetable is the Commission requesting from the Greek authorities to protect residents and prevent further environmental degradation?

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