

Question for written answer E-001674/2015
to the Commission
Rule 130
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Subject: EU Solidarity Fund appropriations for repairing flood damage in Arta, Thesprotia and elsewhere in mainland Greece

Heavy rainfall, extreme weather conditions and flooding over the last few days have caused unprecedented damage in Arta, Thesprotia and elsewhere in mainland Greece.

Dozens of villages had to be evacuated. The Pournariou hydroelectric dam overflowed, while water levels elsewhere rose dangerously destroying the Plaka historic bridge and causing enormous damage to nearby homes and property.

The disaster has already reached massive proportions in the affected areas, serious flood damage having been sustained by 60% of the road network, along with cultivated areas, shops, homes and businesses.

In view of this:

What funding can be provided and when by the EU Solidarity Fund to repair the flood damage fully and without delay and provide financial assistance for the local residents, farmers, professional people and businesses affected in Arta, Thesprotia and elsewhere in mainland Greece?