Question for written answer E-002016/2017 to the Commission Rule 130 Miltiadis Kyrkos (S&D)

Subject: Infringement proceedings - land registry case C-601/10

In 2011, the ECJ ruled that municipalities of Volvi, Cassandra and Thermi had unlawfully extended their land registry and planning contracts and that the Greek Government was obliged to take appropriate measures to revoke the illegal contract extensions and secure the return of monies unlawfully paid to the company responsible for the surveys (Case C-601/10).

Warning letters were sent in July 2014 and on 28 June 2016 to the Greek Minister of Interior regarding failure to comply with the Commission's requirements and those contained in the report of the public administration inspectorate (SEEDD) of May 2016, setting the deadline for compliance at 30 July 2016. The Minister of the Interior disputed the SEEDD report in writing, prompting one of the municipalities involved to seek an opinion from former ECJ President Professor Vassilios Skouris, to be forwarded to the Commission. However, the Secretariat of the Macedonia and Thrace Decentralized Administration overturned the decision of the municipality.

## In view of this:

- Following the cancellation of the decision to seek an opinion, which might justify the extension of the deadline for compliance, what stage has been reached by the proceedings and what measures have been taken?
- What stage has been reached by the national authorities in complying with the judgment?

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