

**Question for written answer P-004235/2018
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Progress in implementing an early warning system for emergencies

Greece has entered the project entitled: 'Modernising and upgrading the single European emergency number 112 services using ICT for optimal emergency crisis management and early warning for citizens' for funding under the Public Sector Reform Operational Programme.

The physical object of the project includes, inter alia, the possibility of issuing mass warnings to citizens, enterprises and public sector bodies in emergencies.

In the wake of the tragic fires in Attica, in which 91 people died, there are reports¹ which refer to delays in the implementation of the early warning system for citizens in emergencies and to a letter from Commissioner Gabriel on this subject to the Greek government, which highlights these delays.

In view of the above, can the Commission say:

What progress has been made in implementing this system and to what extent is the system for issuing mass warnings in the event of emergencies operational?

To which delays and operational requirements exactly does the Commissioner's letter refer?

How does the mass early warning system for emergencies with the single European emergency number 112 work in other Member States? ²

¹ <https://www.protagon.gr/themata/skandalo-112-pws-xathikan-adika-toses-zwes-3-44341663492>

² <http://www.kathimerini.gr/978355/article/epikairothta/ellada/kwlysiergia-kai-seira-antifaswn-gia-to-112>