

WRITTEN QUESTION E-3487/07
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to the Commission

Subject: Failure to act on seismological studies in Greece

The Greek press (Eleftherotypia of 25 June 2007, for instance) reports that scientific studies on the damage likely to be caused by earthquakes to water supply pipelines, bridges, underground railways, schools and port facilities etc. in Thessaloniki and in the rest of Northern Greece have been ignored. Services and state organisations (for instance, the Region of Central Macedonia) commissioned these studies, but no action has been taken to act on them owing to the financial cost.

Can the Commission help implement the conclusions of these studies? Has the Greek government requested such assistance from the Commission?