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to the Commission**

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Subject: Greek law to monitor migration NGOs

On 4 February 2020, the Greek Government passed a new law that will require all NGOs working on migration to register their employees and partners in a special registry.

While this measure is intended to regulate NGOs working on migration, it risks further controlling and intimidating NGOs and volunteers assisting migrants in Greece. Since 2015, 53 people have been arrested in Greece for helping migrants and refugees.

The policing of civil society organisations assisting refugees and migrants has become a common practice of different governments. In the light of this new evidence:

1. What is the Commission's assessment of the new law?
2. How will it monitor its implementation with a view to ensuring a safe and supportive environment for NGOs and upholding fundamental rights?
3. How is it going to uphold the rights of those at risk of judicial and fiscal harassment and even physical attacks?