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Subject: Demolition of EU-funded Palestinian structures

According to the most recent six-month report of the office of the European Union Representative (West Bank and Gaza Strip, UNRWA) on demolitions and seizures in the West Bank, 122 EU-funded Palestinian structures, which were valued at EUR 300 233, were demolished by Israeli authorities in 2020. This represents a 25 % increase in demolitions of EU-funded structures compared with 2019¹.

According to a recent report by the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, 140 EU-funded Palestinian structures in the West Bank were demolished or seized in 2021, the highest number since 2016. This represents a 15 % increase in demolitions of EU-funded structures compared with 2020².

In the light of these alarming figures and given the illegal nature of these activities:

- 1. How will the Commission respond?
- 2. How will it effectively secure compensation for the demolition of EU-funded projects?
- 3. Will it provide Parliament with a list of concrete legal options to secure compensation?

https://euneighbours.eu/sites/default/files/publications/2021-11/six-month_report_on_demolitions_julydec 2020.pdf

https://reliefweb.int/sites/reliefweb.int/files/resources/Demolition_Monthly_report_Nov-Dec_2021.pdf