

**Question for written answer E-014882/2015
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Problems regarding the provision of meals in university residences

According to information published on a Greek website¹, the Education Ministry decided a few days ago to close down the canteen for residential students at the Athens University of Economics on the grounds that it was an unnecessary luxury. This decision, doubtless motivated also by the serious economic crisis that has for many years been affecting Greece, came as a very heavy blow for students who are already financially hard pressed and therefore accommodated in the university residence.

In view of this:

1. Is the Commission aware of this unfortunate, not to say disastrous, turn of events for residential students at Athens University?
2. In view of the current situation in Greece, what measures does it intend to take to assist the Greek Government in its efforts to support charitable organisations and ensure the proper functioning of state institutions providing accommodation for a substantial proportion of Greek university students?

¹ <http://www.kathimerini.gr/831901/article/epikairothta/ellada/xwris-faghto-h-estia-asoe>