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Non-conformity of Greece with the European Social Charter

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Greece adopted two measures foreseen in the first “Memorandum of Understanding” with the European Union-Troika. The probation period, in which an employee can be dismissed without notice, was extended to one year, and the minimum wage lowered by a third for people under 25. Both measures were judged illegal by the European Committee of Social Rights (ECSR).

Mr Hunko,

To ask the Committee of Ministers,

Has the Committee of Ministers already issued a recommendation requesting Greece to end the situation of non-conformity with the European Social Charter regarding the decision of the ECSR on the Collective Complaints No. 65/2011 and No. 66/2011?

If no, were any measures adopted in Greece to end the non-conformity with the European Social Charter after the decision of the ECSR, and why has no recommendation been decided, although the replies by Greece to the ECSR give no reason to assume any intention to end the breaches of the European Social Charter (cf. document GR-SOC(2012)CB5 of 5 November 2012, par. 12-13), given the “political and economic constraints” of the memorandum of understanding with the European Union-Troika?

