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RE: European Shoah Legacy Institute's Immovable Property Database Initiative/ Questionnaire for Greece

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Dear Ms Nelson,

In response to ESLI 's latest request with a dead line date by September 14th, I inform you that :

There is not any pendant request by Greek civilians for compensations of immovable and movable jewish properties as none of them was confiscated by the State.

Instead, as it is thorough stated in Belgrade Conference with a number of Laws that are well mentioned in ESLI 's document by July 23rd, the State immediately after the end of the war abolished by Law 846/1946 its right of inheritance over all the abandoned Jewish properties . By the same Law all heirless properties whose owners had not left descendants to the fourth degree, as well the properties of deceased were transferred to a common fund to aid Jews impoverished by war.

Full description / value of those properties (if still needed) can only give the Ministry of Finance and the Central Jewish Board of Greece. However, It seems like this is not an easy task for both bodies with which I pursued to have a contact on the issue. Besides, I concluded that it does not fall in ESLI's interest as there are not lawsuits pending at the Greek courts.

Sincerely,

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