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## **FUEN condemns the attack against our member organization in Greece, the FEP Party**

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Federal Union of European Nationalities (FUEN) strongly condemns attack against our member organization, Friendship, Equality, Peace (FEP) Party which politically represents the Turkish minority in Greece.



FUEN is deeply concerned about the attack against the new Head Office of the FEP Party which is located approximately 8 km away from Komotini in the region of Western Thrace at the early hours of December 8, 2015.

According to the statement of the FEP Party, unknown perpetrators invaded the new Head Office and destroyed equipment, doors and windows. The perpetrators used spray and wrote “Οι Φρουροί της Θράκης – Guardians of Thrace” in the walls of the new building. We feel very sad that the car on display which belongs to the Party’s founder and first president and the Minority’s leader, Dr. Sadık Ahmet, who lost his life in 1995 during a traffic accident, was stolen. The police started an investigation, but the perpetrators are still unknown.

FUEN notes with concern that Greece has a very bad record in the protection of national minorities in Europe. The Turkish Minority of Western Thrace has been a target of hate crime attack in recent years and persons, institutions and places of worship belonging to the Turkish minority are being attacked by unknown perpetrators.

FUEN President Hans Heinrich Hansen said, “We call upon the Greek authorities to make a full-fledged investigation in order to find the perpetrators and we keep our hope that this incident is resolved at the earliest time possible.”

\*Photo: FEP Party