Open Letter from the Association for the Protection of the Environment of Southern Karystia to the Prime Minister of Italy Mr. Paolo Gentiloni

Today 15/9/2017 in the "Efimerida ton Syntakton" we read in the article: "Athens-Rome, investments with daring" among other statements by the Italian Prime Minister Paolo Gentiloni the following in relation to the collaboration between Greece and Italy in the field of wind power:

"We have ENEL in the field of wind power, with an investment project that is proceeding immediately, to the amount of 300 million euros, in renewable energy sources."

These declarations were made in Corfu, during a meeting of the Italian Prime Minister with his Greek counterpart Alexis Tsipras.

From what was said we conclude that he is **entirely unaware of the appeal by the Association for the Protection of the Environment of Southern Karystia**to the Council of State, as if there is no decision pending from our country's highest court, or he is feigning ignorance for reasons of expediency.

Why did Mr. Alexis Tsipras not correct him?

We would prefer not to believe that the Italian Prime Minister made his hasty visit to our country to reinforce the position of the Italian company ENEL, which currently finds itself in something of an awkward position on account of the order from the Council of State for temporary suspension of operations at Kafirea in Southern Evvia.

But the specific statement he made at this particular moment looks very much like indirect pressuring of Mr. Alexis Tsipras.

In the last few days it has been noticeable from the daily newspapers that an attempt is under way to devalue the actions of the country's highest court on the subject of wind parks in Southern Karystia and now this related statement by the Italian Prime Minister has been added to this.

We protest at the inaccurate statement of Mr. Paolo Gentiloni and call upon him to return to this topic and correct his error.

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