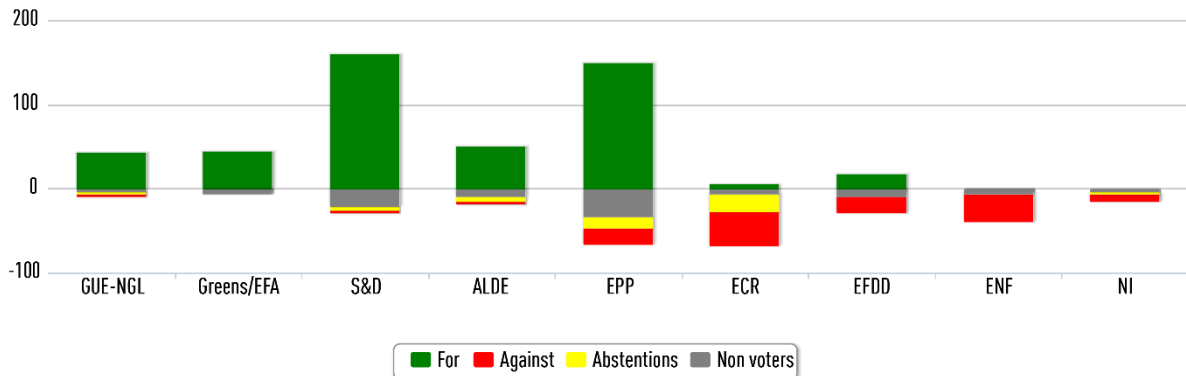


## Should refugees be allocated across Europe?

The vote of the MEPs



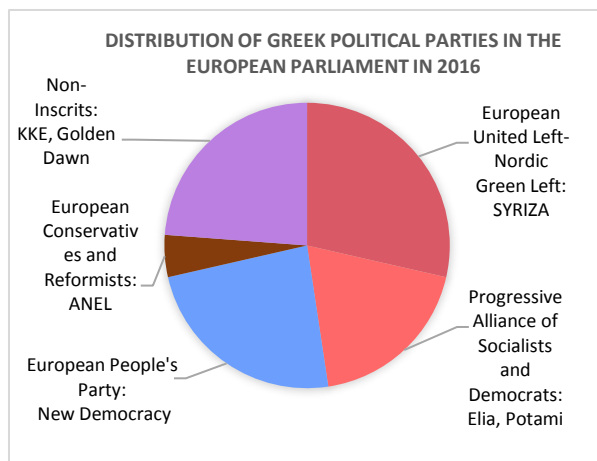
Since the very beginning, the decision to redistribute the refugees from Italy and Greece to other Member States, has been a source of controversy, polemic and even led to a referendum in Hungary.

The vote on the initiative in the European Parliament represents a good opportunity to measure the level of support for the quota system from the Members representing the 28 national contexts.

Although, the text was largely approved, a considerable number of MEPs adopted a critical stance. The system was supported by the EPP, S&D, ALDE, Greens/EFA and GUE-NGL, whereas only ECR, ENF and a part of EFDD voted against redistributing refugees.

Not surprisingly, the majority of the Greek MEPs voted in favor of the redistribution of refugees from Italy and Greece.

The members of the two largest parties, as well as the Social Democrats, voted in favour. However there were some negative votes that came from the members of the far-right Golden Dawn, namely Georgios Epitideios, Lampros Fountoulis and Eleftherios Synadinos.



















In addition, the position of the Communist Party was also skeptical as Sotirios Zarianopoulos abstained from voting while his colleague, Konstantinos Papadakis, was absent.




## Should refugees be allocated across Europe?

The vote of MEPs elected in Greece\*

### For

|  |  |  |  |   |   |
|--|--|--|--|---|---|
| <b>Notis MARIAS</b>  | <b>Manolis KEFALOGIANNIS</b>   | <b>Georgios KYRTSOS</b>  | <b>Maria SPYRAKI</b>   | <b>Elissavet VOZEMBERG-VRIONIDI</b>   | <b>Theodoros ZAGORAKIS</b>  |
|   |   |   |   |  |  |
| Independent  | New Democracy  | New Democracy  | New Democracy  | New Democracy   | New Democracy   |
| ECR  | EPP  | EPP  | EPP  | EPP   | EPP   |
| <b>Nikolaos CHOUNTIS</b>   | <b>Kostas CHRYSOGONOS</b>  | <b>Stelios KOULOGLOU</b>   | <b>Kostadinka KUNEVA</b>   | <b>Dimitrios PAPADIMOULIS</b>   | <b>Sofia SAKORAFI</b>   |
|   |   |   |   |  |  |
| Popular Unity  | Coalition of the Radical Left  | Coalition of the Radical Left  | Coalition of the Radical Left  | Coalition of the Radical Left   | Independent   |
| GUE/NGL  | GUE/NGL  | GUE/NGL  | GUE/NGL  | GUE/NGL   | GUE/NGL   |
| <b>Nikos ANDROULAKIS</b>   | <b>Giorgos GRAMMATIKAKIS</b>   | <b>Eva KAILI</b>   | <b>Miltiadis KYRKOS</b>  |   |   |
|  |  |  |  |   |   |
| Panhellenic Socialist Movement - Olive Tree  | The River  | Panhellenic Socialist Movement - Olive Tree  | The River  |   |   |
| S&D  | S&D  | S&D  | S&D  |   |   |

### Against

|   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| <b>Georgios EPITIDEIOS</b>  | <b>Lampros FOUNTOULIS</b>   | <b>Eleftherios SYNADINOS</b>  |
|  |  |  |
| Popular Association – Golden Dawn   | Popular Association – Golden Dawn   | Popular Association – Golden Dawn   |
| NI  | NI  | NI  |

### Abstain

|   |
|---|
| <b>Sotirios ZARIANOPOULOS</b>   |
|  |
| Communist Party of Greece   |
| NI  |

### Absent

|   |
|---|
| <b>Konstantinos PAPADAKIS</b>   |
|  |
| Communist Party of Greece   |
| NI  |