

Second Call from Moria Camp in Corona Times

- To the European Union
- To the Governments of European Countries
- The European Public and Civil Society

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We are again addressing you from Moria Camp in Lesvos. We have sent a call for help and support three weeks ago and unfortunately we never received an answer. We are still waiting, while the conditions here did not change. We ask: Are we not worth getting an answer while so many people talk about Moria and a German minister even called it “Europe’s shame”?

Thankfully in the the Greek Government has relocated some hundreds of the most vulnerable people from here, but some of them were sent to places where the local population strongly rejected them. Even Hotels were set on fire in one place to prevent refugees to stay there. Why Greece, a poor country suffering heavily from the Corona Crisis, is left alone with this problem?

In the meanwhile we followed a lot of talk in Europe, many campaigns were set up, but until now only 62 minors left from here to Europe. It is more than two month now that this and other camps faced the Corona Crisis without any assistance. We were on ourselves and tried to help ourselve as good as we could.

But we are still calling for help. As we said, vulnerable people need to be evacuated from here and we urge you to take action now.

We still only have three hours of water every day, still the health situation is bad and public services are missing. We don't ask for pity or charity, we just ask for the rights that the Geneva Convention and European Declaration of Human Rights are granting us. We again declare our willingness to help and co-operate as self-organized groups in Moria to solve the most burning issues here:

- water (sewage/toilets, showers, and taps)
- trash
- isolation
- food supply/food line
- hygiene/disinfection
- fire protection
- security
- awareness/education

We don't see progress but we follow that lot of organisations started collecting big amounts of money campaigns for Moria, many of them were not here when we urgently needed assistance in March . We appreciate all these efforts but we ask: Why you did not contact us? Why we learn through internet about what you are doing? Why still people send us used clothes and shoes while we clearly addressed the needs of the camp?

It is months we see so many people coming here wanting to help, but the main problems remain. We believe together we can do a lot to help people here to protect themselves against Corona. But only if everyone understands what are the real problems here that need solution.

Therefore we call on you again: Please help us here in Moria, but please help us in a way that is a real help in these times. We are in need of support to fix the burning problems here and not only to receive some more blankets and used clothes



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