

Metropolis of Ilia prepares to host Mideast asylum-seekers



The Metropolis of Ilia, in southwest Greece, this week announced an initiative to host several single-parent families of asylum seekers and unaccompanied third country minors, mainly Syrian nationals - by their declaration - who landed onto a handful of Greek isles from neighboring Turkey.

The Metropolis, which extends over the same-name prefecture in the Peloponnese, has cited the Monasteries of Poretso and Kato Divrís and a pupils' hostel for hosting the asylum seekers. The initiative comes within a Church of Greece decision to help the Greek state in alleviating the number of eligible asylum seekers temporarily hosted on the islands.