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Greeks consider Moria to be a very beautiful historical town in Greece. For refugees though it is total hell. A hell that keeps continuing for years. As we know, Moria has been burned many times in the past, this isn't the first time. We would like to remind you that in the past some have been burned, some have been killed. The Moria camp is far from other villages and the main town. This means that the Moria camp is far from security. This means that the Moria camp is far from many things.

The tragic incident that took place on the early hours of Wednesday was the biggest fire of the Moria camp in history. Right now, 13,000 people are living in the area outside of the camp. In the streets, on the ground. These people need immediate action from the Greek authorities and the EU countries.

We, as European-Global Civil Society Organization, are demanding security and safety facilities for asylum seekers, refugees and migrants who are based in Moria for their immediate transportation to the mainland. Not only for unaccompanied minors but all who have been suffering in Moria. From the moment this incident happened in Moria, we have been following many actors in the field. Humanitarian organizations, Greek and European authorities taking actions for the unaccompanied minors. We declare that this is not enough to save everyone from the hell of the Moria camp. Let's hope this incident was the last which will finally close down the Moria camp.

We know that the Moria camp was quarantined due to the coronavirus. These people need special protection to prevent the spread of the virus to others. On the other hand, it seems that other factors have begun fundraising for first aid. We hope that those that lost everything in the fire will receive immediate support.

We request actions be taken as soon as possible and the EU begin taking refugees through the relocation programme because very soon the ongoing financial crisis will become even more devastating. Greece alone cannot undertake the financial crisis and the refugee crisis as well.

A large percentage of asylum seekers on the islands and on the mainland are Afghans. Asylum seekers are arriving due to lack of security and ongoing war in their countries. Without security in their countries, deportation is not a solution making it better to apply integration of these populations in Europe.

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