
TÜRKİYE SAYS GREECE'S UNILATERAL ACTIONS, CLAIMS ON MARITIME SPATIAL PLANNING TO HAVE NO LEGAL CONSEQUENCES FOR ANKARA

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Reaction comes after Athens declared maritime spatial planning within EU framework

Greece's unilateral actions and claims on maritime spatial planning will have no legal consequences for Ankara, the Turkish Foreign Ministry said on Wednesday. Türkiye's reaction came after Greece declared Maritime Spatial Planning within the EU framework. "Some of the areas specified in the 'Maritime Spatial Plan' (MSP) declared by Greece within the framework of EU legislation violate Türkiye's maritime jurisdiction areas in both the Aegean Sea and the Eastern Mediterranean," the ministry said.

Stressing the importance of avoiding unilateral actions in enclosed or semi-enclosed seas like the Aegean and the Mediterranean, it said the international maritime law promotes cooperation among coastal states in such areas, including on environmental matters. In this context, Türkiye remains open and willing to collaborate with Greece in the Aegean Sea, the ministry said.

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