

Complaint addressed to TAP
By Ngjeli Komini
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I the undersigned, Ngjeli Komini Toli, resident of the village of Konezebalt, district of Berat, with telephone number [REDACTED], hereby state the facts of my complaint:

I, Ngjeli Komini, have been identified as a person affected by the TAP pipeline. I own the lot with No. 535./10 with a surface area of 2800 m². Of this area, 1937.95 m² will be taken over by TAP.

I have planted a vineyard (grapes) in this area for the past 5 years and for this area I have been offered in the first contract the following amount:

Lease of the area of 1937.95 m² an amount of 156.77 Albanian LEK (ALL);

Servitude compensation of the area 149.67 m² the amount of 61 963.50 ALL;

Compensation of the crops - for which I am making this complaint as the vineyard has been valued in the amount of 479 624.32 ALL.

My vineyard is reaching its 5th year but has been valued as if it were in its 2nd year of planting.

My claims are these: The compensation does not cover the expenses that I have incurred for the vineyard to reach its fifth year, and will not compensate me for the products I would have received for 2 years while the land is being used by TAP.

This vineyard will need other 5 years to reach this production stage; TAP will destroy this vineyard today, but I will not be able to plant anything on the plot that covers an area of 149.95 m². I have received two different amounts for the same plot and the second was lower than the first.

We have gone to various offices with these complaints and we have received different, useless responses. We have made several complaints. A lady came to visit the vineyard who unfortunately did not introduce herself, but from what I heard she was the person who was making the offers along with the agronomist. Having seen the vineyard they told me: 'Yes, you are right, the vineyard is approximately 5 years old.'

Further to this, there was no other response and no other compensation was offered to us. We were only told that if we did not accept the contract, the offer would be passed on to the government and we would not gain anything.

Why is it that we, as the people of this country, cannot gain anything if we refuse something?

I hope that our complaint will be solved by your institution.

Respectfully,
NGJELI KOMINI