

TRAVEL UPDATE

Greek Farmers End Road Blockade

ATHENS (AP) — Thousands of farmers removed their barricades from the country's main highways Tuesday after failing in a month-long bid to force higher subsidies out of the Socialist government.

Prime Minister Costas Simitis refused to bow to farmers' demands, saying they would have cost Greece close to 1 trillion drachmas (\$3.5 billion) and endangered the country's relations with the European Union. Other demands included lower prices for fuel and an amnesty for some debts to state agricultural banks.