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**THE COUNTRY IS BECOMING A DEMOGRAPHIC DESERT, KOSTADIN KOSTADINOV OF BULGARIA SAYS**

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40% of the country is a demographic desert, with a population of less than 10 people per square kilometer, said Vazrazhdane leader Kostadin Kostadinov who chairs the parliamentary committee on demographic policy, children and family. The committee is sitting in Bulgarias smallest municipality Treklyano, which has a total of 300 inhabitants living in 19 villages.

The only way to halt the drastic depopulation is by improving the infrastructure, healthcare, the conditions for doing business, and by creating jobs, stated the participants in the sitting, among them the mayor of Treklyano, the chair of the municipal council and the regional governor of Kyustendil, as well as members of parliament.

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