

Monk caught with former nun's skeleton

Here's a very strange story out of Greece.

A monk, along with two other people, was arrested at the Eleftherios Venizelos airport in Athens, Greece after security personnel discovered the remains of a human body in their luggage as they tried to board a flight to Cyprus.

*The remains of Eleni Vathiadou, a former nun, were stolen by the trio after a memorial service held by the woman's family at a local cemetery on Sunday to mark four years since her death, reports the **Cyprus Mail**.*

"In my opinion this cleric should be punished; the situation is unacceptable, it is sacrilege," says Cyprus's Archbishop Chrysostomos.

The three claimed they did it because she was a saint, but the church leader suspects otherwise. "They are probably acts of quackery by some aiming to make financial gains. That is my suspicion."

Police spokesman Michalis Katsounotos says, "Our compatriots claimed that they dug up the remains because they considered the deceased a saint," reports the paper.

Vathiadou had once been a nun at a Cypriot monastery and was never officially declared a saint by the Cypriot or Greek Orthodox Churches.

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