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Albanian authorities tear Serb-funded school with bulldozers

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The Kosovo Albanian authorities have torn down a school built from the Serbian government funds in the Gora area (southwest).

The school was located in the village of Mlike, inhabited by one of the province's minorities, the Goranis, who refuse to follow the Albanian school curriculum.

Gora municipal president Alija Abdi said that citizens unsuccessfully tried to prevent bulldozers, accompanied by KFOR soldiers and Kosovo Albanian inspectors, from demolishing the premises, including new toilets and an IT classroom.

The justification for this act, Abdi said, was that the reconstruction and building works on the school came without an appropriate permit.

"Twenty citizens stopped the bulldozers from destroying even the pavement in the yard by lying down on the ground in front of them," he said.

There were no injuries in this incident.