Question for written answer E-003517/2023 to the Commission

Rule 138

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Subject: Investigation of antisemitic and violence- and hatred-inciting conduct by UNRWA

teachers

Following Hamas's terrorist attack on Israel, the Commission launched a review of the EU's assistance to Palestine. The review aims to prevent the possible abuse of EU funding to incite hatred and violence and to ensure that no EU funding is used to enable terrorists to attack Israel. However, an IMPACT-se report suggests that teachers at the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) have shared social media posts inciting hatred and violence, as well as celebrating the mass murder of Jewish people.

If the Commission's investigation finds that some UNRWA teachers have posted antisemitic and hatred- and violence-inciting content on social media:

- 1. Will the outcomes of this investigation affect the EU's external assistance to UNRWA?
- 2. Will the Commission consider freezing financial support to UNRWA?
- 3. How will the Commission reform the current safeguards to prevent the abuse of EU funding to incite hatred and violence?

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