

Question for written answer E-004158/2025/rev.1

to the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy

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Subject: The ongoing disinformation campaign targeting the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine refugees in the Near East and the EU's support to the agency

In its replies of 12 March 2025¹ and 2 April 2025² to Parliamentary questions E-001862/2024(ASW) and E-003022/2024(ASW) on support to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) and the disinformation campaign against the Agency, the Commission acknowledged that the disinformation campaign targeting the UNRWA is ongoing, multi-layered, and that countering it was of the 'utmost importance'.

It stated that the European External Action Service would be monitoring and documenting it closely and that the EU would continue its political and financial support to the UNRWA, following the EUR 92 million provided in 2024. It also noted that disinformation on Gaza continues to target humanitarian agencies and the UN, with a view to undermining their legitimacy.

The Government of Israel has financed campaigns targeting European audiences, including attempts to downplay allegations of food scarcity in Gaza and to discredit the Integrated Food Security Phase Classification, by challenging its methodology and alleging misrepresentation.

In this context:

1. Is the European External Action Service going to share with Parliament the results of its monitoring of the disinformation campaign?
2. What concrete actions are being taken to expose and effectively counter this disinformation?

¹ https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-10-2024-001862-ASW_EN.html.

² https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-10-2024-003022-ASW_EN.html.

3. Can the Commission confirm its continued political and financial support to UNRWA, including core contributions at least matching 2024 levels?

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