

**Question for written answer E-004904/2025/rev.1
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Lobbying of the Commission on behalf of non-EU countries

The Intercept recently reported that the European Leadership Network (ELNET), a pro-Israel lobbying group based in the EU, has received donations of more than USD 11 million from donors based in the United States since 2022.¹ The purpose of this organisation is specifically to advocate on behalf of a non-EU country and it is in receipt of a substantial amount of funding from a separate third country. It is deeply troubling that an organisation that receives substantial funding from non-EU donors could have significant access to EU policymakers, as it claims on its website.

Can the Commission confirm:

1. The number of occasions on which its (including European External Action Service) staff have met with individuals from ELNET since June 2024?
2. Whether they were aware of the significant amount of donations from the United States which this organisation receives?
3. Whether they will refuse to meet with individuals from ELNET in the future given that they are being funded by one non-EU country to lobby directly in the interests of another non-EU country?

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¹ <https://theintercept.com/2025/12/15/elnet-aipac-israel-lobby-europe/>