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Answer given by Mr Brunner
on behalf of the European Commission
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The Commission's Coordinator on Combating Antisemitism is carrying out her work in line with the EU Strategy on combating antisemitism and fostering Jewish life.

As regards the question on fundraising, Commission staff, as all EU officials, enjoy the right to freedom of expression in line with the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union¹ and the staff regulations². As it has been recalled constantly by the Court of Justice of the European Union, the right to freedom of expression is exercised with due respect to the principles of loyalty and impartiality. The Commission authorises in principle occasional social, charity or fundraising activities by staff (e.g. book or bake sales).

The EU is a longstanding partner of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) and strong supporter of the United Nations' (UN) work in Gaza and the West Bank. UN agencies must be able to operate without obstruction in humanitarian crises worldwide.

¹ https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/treaty/char_2012/oj/eng.

² [https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/1962/31\(1\)/2021-01-01/eng](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/1962/31(1)/2021-01-01/eng).