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Answer given by Mr McGrath
on behalf of the European Commission
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The ‘Collectif pour l’Inclusion et contre l’Islamophobie en Belgique’ (CIIB) was a beneficiary of the MAGIC project with three other beneficiaries. The total funding of the project amounted to EUR 205,990 of which EUR 53,119 was allocated to CIIB. The grant agreement was signed on 14 December 2020 for a duration of 25 months starting on 1 March 2021. The final payment took place in October 2023. CIIB has not been the beneficiary of any other grant since then.

The checks performed on CIIB at selection and evaluation stage at the time of funding did not reveal any issue preventing the Commission from entering into a grant agreement with the organisation.

As elaborated in the Commission’s replies to written questions E-006476/2020¹ and E-001741/2021², the Commission implements the mechanisms provided in the Financial Regulation³ for the award of funds. It carries out rigorous selection processes, including various checks on grant beneficiaries based on objective criteria such as the exclusion criteria or the EU restrictive measures. Any entity that fails the test cannot be selected for funding.

¹ https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-9-2020-006476_EN.html.

² https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-9-2021-001741_EN.html.

³ Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (recast) ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj>.