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**Question for written answer E-002058/26
to the Commission**

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Subject: Use of Hungarian public funds for organised activities concerning transnational political influence in the EU democratic space

Recent statements ⁽¹⁾ by the new Hungarian Prime Minister Péter Magyar allege that, during the previous government's term, Hungarian public funds may have been used to finance the Conservative Political Action Conference in Hungary (CPAC Hungary) and related international political networks. The organisations reportedly involved include the Center for Fundamental Rights, the Mathias Corvinus Collegium (MCC) Foundation and associated transnational advocacy networks active at EU and international level, such as the Political Network for Values (PNfV). These allegations raise concerns that public resources in a Member State may have supported partisan international political activity involving actors from other Member States and non-EU countries.

1. Is the Commission aware of these statements, and will it assess whether EU funds, EU-supported entities, EU co-financed projects, or entities receiving EU funding were directly or indirectly involved in connection with CPAC Hungary or related networks?
2. Does the Commission consider that such use of public resources, if confirmed, could fall within the scope of EU safeguards related to fraud prevention, anti-corruption, public procurement, the rule of law, political financing or electoral integrity?
3. Would the Commission consider involving the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF), the European Public Prosecutor's Office where competent, or other relevant EU bodies in the matter, if indications emerge that EU funds or EU electoral processes were affected?

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Answer given by Mr McGrath on behalf of the European Commission
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Allegations potentially affecting entities or projects of a given Member State, without involvement of EU funds, should be reported to the competent national authorities of that Member State.

More generally, the Commission monitors the rule of law situation in all Member States, including Hungary. Its assessment is outlined in its annual Rule of Law Report, which sets out developments on the rule of law, including the fight against corruption. The latest edition was published on 17 July 2026.

¹ <https://www.euractiv.com/news/budapests-mcc-under-threat/>