

WRITTEN QUESTION E-1108/09  
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to the Commission

Subject: Payments for EU staff whose children are studying abroad

1. Do allowances or other payments exist for EU staff whose children are studying abroad?
2. How high was this allowance in 2008?
3. How many applications and payments have there been since 2003?
4. Is this allowance calculated on the basis of a sliding scale, depending on the number of children, for instance?
5. Which conditions are attached to the payment of this allowance?