Question for written answer E-006128/2014 to the Commission Rule 130 Jonathan Arnott (EFDD)

Subject: EU funding for the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC)

It has been reported in the press that the Commission paid the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) the sum of EUR 6 100 987 (GBP 4 854 039), in addition to the total of EUR 24.4 million (GBP 19 million) paid by the EU in grants to the BBC between 2007 and 2012.¹ Could the Commission clarify this claim, and provide details of the purpose for which these grants were made and the thematic programme heading they fell under?

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¹ See: 'Revealed: EU Hands Out Multi-Millions to the BBC and Green Lobby', www.breitbart.com, 8 July 2014.