Question for written answer E-013346/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Lorenzo Fontana (ENF) and Matteo Salvini (ENF)

Subject: Alleged donation of EU funds for the Festa dell'Unità in Milan

According to Italian press reports, the Festa dell'Unità, a traditional political celebration organised by the Democratic Party (this year's event was held a few weeks ago at the Indro Montanelli Public Gardens in Milan), received roughly EUR 20 000 in funding channelled via a stand manned by the Commission representation in Italy.

Does the Commission see any need to ascertain whether the reports are accurate?

Assuming that the reports prove to be true, what are the maximum amounts that the Commission may contribute, be it directly or indirectly, to party-political events?

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