## Question for written answer E-001843/2016 to the Commission Rule 130 Marie-Christine Arnautu (ENF)

## Subject: Funding for No Border activists

For a number of years parts of northern France, particularly the area around Calais, have had to accommodate thousands of illegal immigrants hoping to reach the UK; their presence has led to serious public order disturbances. In an effort to help the illegal immigrants in question, antiglobalisation activists teach them ways of circumventing border controls, obstructing lorries, occupying ferries, blocking the Channel Tunnel, etc.

Activists associated with No Border, an international collective founded in 1999 which brings together many associations, are heavily involved in these activities. Known for using violence towards security forces and the police, these activists are calling for borders to be done away with once and for all and for the status of all illegal immigrants to be regularised.

In 2009, No Border activists in Calais formed a collective called Calais Migrant Solidarity, which is supported by United for Intercultural Action, 'a European network against nationalism, racism and fascism which supports migrants and refugees'. This organisation reportedly receives funding from the Commission.

Does the Commission subsidise United for Intercultural Action, No Borders and Calais Migrant Solidarity? If so, what are the exact amounts involved?