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to the Commission

Subject: Youth programme: late forwarding of contracts and payments

Despite the fact that the initial selection of projects submitted under the Youth programme took place in May, the projects selected have yet to be cofinanced. Delays in the forwarding of contracts and the failure to pay the advances provided for are causing major problems for many associations and having an adverse impact on the implementation of projects.

1. What is the nature of these delays and are they caused by problems inside the Commission?
2. What does the Commission intend to do to put an end to such delays?