

WRITTEN QUESTION E-0961/04  
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to the Commission

Subject: Subsidisation of periodicals

Does the Commission subsidise, or does it give support in other ways, to the following periodicals:

Le Journal de l'Europe (fortnightly publication)  
European Voice (weekly publication)  
L'Européenne de Bruxelles (weekly publication)  
E! Sharp (monthly publication)?

Some of those publications are hard to find at the newsagents, if they can be found at all, and they take in very little by way of advertising revenue. How they are funded therefore remains a mystery.

If the Commission does indeed support these publications, can it give a breakdown showing the amount of the subsidy that it gives to each publication?

What is the Commission's objective in granting such financial aid?

Are there any other apparently independent publications, geared to the dissemination of European policy, which receive financial aid from the Commission? If so, which publications are involved, and how much do they receive?