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to the Commission

Subject: Agencies specialised in promoting intra-Community exchanges

In the context of fostering intercommunication between EU citizens via holiday home exchange programmes, young professional training scheme exchanges etc., some specialised agencies have proved their usefulness and desirability of promoting their expansion in order to aid their efforts in encouraging intra-Community exchange between the 27 Member States.

Given the innovative nature of their activities and the desirability of promoting their expansion across the whole of the EU, it would be helpful to know if their setting-up can count on any Community aid and if so, in what form.

Could the Commission explain to those professionals wishing to set up an office for any type of intra-Community exchange what Community aid they could expect to claim for carrying out their task and thus enabling EU citizens to know each other better?