

**Question for written answer E-010926/2013/rev.1
to the Commission**
Rule 117
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Subject: Misuse of aid funds

According to information presented by Radio Sweden's programme *Ekot*¹, the Swedish Minister for International Development Cooperation and the State Secretary had their salaries paid from funds classed as official development assistance (ODA). This relates to more than SEK 20 million paid out over a four-year period. Does the Commission consider this to be compatible with the EU's commitment to increase its aid to developing countries to 0.7% of its GNI by 2015?

¹ <http://sverigesradio.se/sida/artikel.aspx?programid=83&artikel=5654325>