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Subject: Islamism and the Muslim Brotherhood infiltrating the European Parliament

On 29 September 2021, Charlie Hebdo revealed that there are close ties between the European institutions and the Muslim Brotherhood. Considered by the United States as a terrorist organisation, this group has advocated suicide attacks¹ and called for the murder of homosexuals².

Furthermore, in its latest issue, the weekly newspaper reported that the Muslim Brotherhood receives a lot of support and indirect subsidies from the Commission.

The European Youth Event (EYE) was recently held in Strasbourg. Among the groups invited to speak at the event was the Forum for European Muslim Youth and Student Organisations (FEMYSO), which is allegedly a branch of the Muslim Brotherhood and is presided by none other than Youssef Himmat – a relative of the Brotherhood ambassador Youssef Nada³.

It should be noted that FEMYSO shares the same address as the Collective Against Islamophobia in Belgium, which is linked to the Collective Against Islamophobia in France – an organisation that was disbanded by the French authorities following the murder of Samuel Paty. While FEMYSO presents a noble front, its alleged connection to the Brotherhood reveals its true nature.

In the light of the above:

- 1. Does the Commission acknowledge the ties between FEMYSO and the Islamist cell?
- 2. Does it admit that it made a mistake in inviting an Islamist association to an event geared towards young people?
- 3. How does it justify the subsidies granted?

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