

**Question for written answer E-001191/2023  
to the Council**  
Rule 138  
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Subject: Use of private jets and offsetting emissions – Charles Michel

Flight data pertaining to the European Council President shows that, between 2019 and December 2022, Charles Michel flew only 18 of 112 missions on charter flights.

Since 2021, Charles Michel is said to have been offsetting his emissions through a scheme which funds a Brazilian ceramics factory to switch its fuel from illegal wood to agricultural and industrial waste products.

1. What amounts have been paid out since that scheme began?
2. How is this emissions offsetting funded?
3. Are these private payments made by Charles Michel or is a Council budget allocated to this end?

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