

**Question for written answer E-002950/2023
to the Commission**
Rule 138
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Subject: Giving away EU furniture to IMPACT Furniture (Oxfam) (2)

The Commission donates office furniture from various EU buildings, free of charge, to IMPACT Furniture, a commercial service that is part of the left-wing NGO Oxfam, which, as a result of selling that furniture, inter alia, bequests, membership dues and grants, recorded a massive profit of over EUR 6 million in 2022 and had a net worth of more than EUR 18 million. The cost of clearing buildings and of removals is also reportedly borne by the Commission.

1. What was the cost to the Commission of clearing the buildings and moving the furniture?
2. Does the Commission not think that this constitutes unfair competition vis-à-vis private-sector firms that are being priced out of the market in this way?
3. Does the Commission not think that giving away office furniture bought with taxpayers' money is an unacceptable waste of taxpayers' money?

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