

WRITTEN QUESTION P-1322/02
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to the Commission

Subject: Web site of United Kingdom Independence Party (UKIP)

The British Daily Telegraph has published a report¹ directly calling into question the behaviour of the European Commission or some of its staff.

The newspaper investigated a number of e-mails sent to the discussion forum on the anti-EU UK Independence Party's web site and containing violent attacks on that party's ideas. The source of these messages has been identified. It is the European Commission's offices in the Jean Monnet Building, in Luxembourg.

Can the Commission confirm or deny this report?

Should these allegations be confirmed, does it intend to take disciplinary action against those of its staff involved in this misuse of the European administration's time and equipment?

¹ Daily Telegraph, Wednesday 3 April 2002 - Peterborough