

**Priority question for written answer P-002808/2023
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Cost of air taxis

The answer to Priority question for written answer P-001138/2023 lists the air taxi journeys authorised by Commission President von der Leyen in 2021 and 2022 that were charged to the EU budget.

1. What sums were charged to the EU budget in 2021 and 2022 as mission expenses for individual Commissioners and for Commission President von der Leyen for air taxi journeys, broken down by cost of the respective flights, excluding expenses for accommodation, etc.?
2. Were the four air taxi journeys made by Commissioner Breton in 2021, the cost of which he bore himself, according to the Commission, authorised by Commission President von der Leyen and, if they were, for what reason?
3. Are there other air taxi journeys by Commissioners or by Commission President von der Leyen for which the costs were borne by them themselves or were charged to a budget other than the EU budget, and, if so, what were the itineraries and costs involved in 2021 and 2022, and how were the respective travel costs for the individual itineraries billed?

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