Question for written answer E-015570/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Raymond Finch (EFDD)

Subject: Funding of UNRWA

A report released by United Nations (UN) Watch in November 2015 indicated that at least ten different teachers from the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) are using social media to incite Palestinian knife attacks against Israeli Jews, describing them as 'apes and pigs', with one calling on Facebook to 'stab Zionist dogs'. This practice of incitement to violence has been exposed before by UN Watch, but has only led to the removal of particular posts or pages and temporary suspensions of offenders.

Hillel Neuer, executive director of UN Watch correctly, observed that those who incite to racism or murder should be fired, under a zero tolerance policy, just as the UK government recently banned a teacher from the classroom for life over an anti-Semitic Facebook post.¹

- 1. How much money has the Commission already given to the UNRWA?
- 2. What measures has the Commission taken in response to this report?
- 3. Will the Commission suspend UNRWA funding and demand that the offenders are sacked?

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UN Watch, 'Report: despite UNRWA promises, teachers again inciting to violence against "Jewish apes and pigs", 30 November 2015, http://www.unwatch.org/report-despite-unrwa-promises-teachers-again-inciting-to-violence-against-jewish-apes-and-pigs/.