Question for written answer E-015192/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Javi López (S&D)

Subject: ALDHU - compensation for damages and expenses associated with the complete review

process for a project

The Asociación Latinoamericana para los Derechos Humanos (ALDHU) is an international non-governmental organisation, founded on 13 August 1980 in Quito (Ecuador), that encourages the fight for the creation, defence, promotion and respect of human rights and democracy in Latin American and the Caribbean.

Between 2001 and 2003, ALDHU carried out the projects "A communication network for the Amazon basin" and "Protection and promotion of the human rights of the indigenous peoples of the Colombian-Ecuadorian Amazon" with EU finance to promote the human rights of the indigenous peoples of the Amazon.

Has the Commission considered the possibility of compensating ALDHU for damages and for extraordinary expenses relating to lawyers, accountants, auditors, personnel and logistics to defend itself, as a result of the audit process conducted on its accounts in relation to the project "A communication network for the Amazon basin", following which the mediation process, mediated by Pieter Jan Brouwer, stated that the amount of ineligible expenses for the project was EUR 1 378.85 and not EUR 830 915, as was certified by an audit conducted by Ernst & Young in 2004?

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