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SUBJECT: (please specify) EU financial support to Tunisia and Egypt	
<p>TEXT:</p> <p>Tunisia and Egypt have benefited from financial support from the European Union. The autocratic and corrupt nature of their (former) authorities would have required a very careful selection of beneficiaries. However, there is information that suggests that EU funds have been channelled to organisations with close ties to the (formerly) ruling elite. Against this background, it is now all the more important that the EU swiftly lends its political and financial support to civil society actors involved in the ongoing democracy-building exercise in Tunisia and Egypt, in line with the Union's public and legal commitments to human rights and democracy. We therefore ask the HR/VP and the Commissioner for Neighbourhood Policy:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Has any of the following companies benefited from EU financial aid? If so, which sums have they been allocated, under which programmes and for what political purpose? Will they continue to benefit from these programmes in 2011? <p>3E Service, Amen bank, Amen Invest, Atlas Motors, Atlas Pompes, Carthago Touristique, Compagnie des Gols Internationaux, Compagnie Mediterraneenne d'Etudes et de realisations touristiques, Ennakl, Hannibal Lease, Karthago Airlines, Karthago Hotel, Karthago Travel, Manufacture Tunisienne de Chaussures, Meublatex Group, Meubles Modulaires, Northern Sousse Development Society, Nouvelair, Plastec, Polymeuble, Reform der Banque de Tunisie, Sabrine, Services nationaux des Resodences, SILT-SICAF, Soc. Agricole Essania, Soc. Alliance Immobiliaries, Soc. Arab technic water, Soc. de Mise en Valeur et de Development Agricole El Kaouther, Soc. de Promotion Touristique et de Plaisance, Soc. d'Emballage de Jus, Soc. el Alman, Soc. Immob. du Maghreb, Soc. Immobiliare Echarifa, Soc. Trabelsi de Marbre, Soc. Tunesienne de Chocolaterie, Sotetel.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> According to current planning for 2011 (assuming no changes are made), which projects, organisations and companies in Tunisia and Egypt have been identified to benefit from EU financial support this year? Which sums have they been allocated and for what political purpose? Considering the current political change in Tunisia and Egypt, does the Commission intend to re-direct EU funds? If so, which projects, organisations and companies in these countries are set to benefit from EU financial support this year? Which sums will they be allocated and for what political purpose? 	
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