

**Question for written answer P-001705/2019
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: European Rapid Alert System against online disinformation

To step up the fight against fake news and online disinformation aimed at the European elections, the EU plans a Rapid Alert System, a secure network through which the EU institutions and Member States can share in real time information on ongoing disinformation campaigns, in order to coordinate responses to them.

By 18 March, therefore, each Member State is required to designate a specific national contact point for this alert network, so that it can become operational by the end of March 2019.

Can the Commission indicate whether all Member States designated national contact points by the end of March 2019 and whether the EU Rapid Alert System is fully operational?

What measures is the Commission planning to take against Member States that have not yet informed it about their contact points?

What are the initial results of the EU Rapid Alert System?

