Question for written answer E-002190/2016 to the Commission Rule 130 Gianluca Buonanno (ENF)

Subject: Restrictions on receiving emails from .ru accounts

Is the Commission aware of the restrictions in place in Europe on receiving emails from senders with an .ru account? On both my Parliament and personal email accounts, incoming emails with an .ru extension are automatically placed in the Spam folder, irrespective of their content.

Would the Commission not agree that making the general assumption that emails from a given country or area may be dangerous could be seen as racist or at the very least as unwarranted prejudice that flies in the face of the fundamental principles that the EU as a whole, and Parliament in particular, has a duty to uphold at all times?

Has the Commission made an attempt to map the origin of emails that pose a threat of phishing or data theft?

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