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Rule 130
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Subject: Common European public broadcasting company

The increasing prevalence of fake news and propaganda, particularly Russian propaganda, across different media platforms is becoming a major challenge for many governments. Citizens are in a vulnerable position where they could be deceived and misled by inaccurate information. The spread of fake news is a problem that could sow distrust towards governments and institutions, thereby compromising the security and stability of Member States.

1. What is the Commission doing to tackle the spread of fake news and propaganda that are designed to provide citizens with inaccurate and misleading information?

2. Has the Commission considered the creation of a common European public broadcasting company?

3. Does the Commission think that this could be a viable option to combat fake news and would it consider doing an impact assessment on this?