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to the Commission
Rule 130
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Subject: Tackling disinformation

With four months to go before the May 2019 European elections, the Commission must tackle disinformation so that the events (misleading advertisements, fake accounts, etc.) of the British referendum on Brexit in 2016 do not repeat themselves. Europe's stability and credibility is at stake.

Facebook and Google have announced new rules which oblige political advertisers to register with them. Political advertisements will state who has paid for them and a public archive will enable internet users to see all the advertisements posted in their country.

The Commission considers these transparency rules to be inadequate.

What will it do to tackle disinformation effectively?