

Question for written answer E-005056/2020

to the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy

Rule 138

Patrick Breyer (Verts/ALE)

Subject: EUvsDisinfo website: should fact-checking be performed by political institutions or by non-partisan organisations?

The International Fact-Checking Network's code of principles require a commitment to non-partisanship, meaning that applicants may not 'advocate for or against any policy positions'. Yet the EEAS East StratCom Task Force that operates the EUvsDisinfo website is tasked with 'promoting the European Union's policies'.

Does the VP/HR believe fact-checking should be performed by political institutions?