The Commission is not a shareholder of Euronews. It has no role concerning Euronews’ financial decisions, nor in terms of staff or management. However, it is following this acquisition to make sure that any changes in the company’s management or editorial workflows do not impact our contractual arrangements.

1. Euronews has informed the Commission that the acquisition by Alpac was finalised in June 2022, following approval by Euronews’ Supervisory board and a green light of the French Ministry of Economy and Finance. The Commission’s relation with Euronews is governed by a Framework Partnership Agreement, implemented through annual grant agreements. It is not the Commission’s role nor competence to judge the business rationale behind an acquisition.

2. The Commission evaluates performance of all actions supported by EU funds, in compliance with Article 34 of the EU Financial Regulation. It will also continue to monitor Euronews’ compliance with the editorial arrangements and standards laid out in our agreements. As stated in the Commission’s answer to question 1300/2022, an external content analysis is ongoing to guarantee that EU-funded content respects the highest journalistic standards. Furthermore, Euronews is obliged to publish an annual transparency report, and to provide regular reports on audience figures and overall performance.

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