Question for written answer E-002833/2022 to the Commission Rule 138 Gianna Gancia (ID)

Subject: The use of in-app browsers by big tech companies

According to a detailed reports by *The Guardian*<sup>1</sup>, among others, big tech companies like Meta and TikTok are constantly injecting code into websites in order to track their users. This practice is allowing TikTok, in particular, to observe all taps and keyboard inputs, which can include passwords and credit cards, as the company itself has recently confirmed<sup>2</sup>.

Is the Commission aware of this practice? If it is indeed the case, how is it compliant with EU laws designed to protect the privacy of EU citizens' data?

https://www.theguardian.com/technology/2022/aug/11/meta-injecting-code-into-websites-visited-by-its-users-to-track-them-research-says

https://www.forbes.com/sites/richardnieva/2022/08/18/tiktok-in-app-browser-research/