

**Question for written answer E-004006/2022  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Big tech layoffs and compliance with the Digital Services Act

Since Elon Musk took over Twitter on 27 October 2022, the company has laid off half of its 7 500-person workforce. At the beginning of November, Facebook/Meta announced that the company will lay off 11 000 employees. A week later, Amazon also started reducing its workforce massively and plans to target up to 10 000 roles in its global workforce in the upcoming weeks and months. This raises questions about the ability of the tech companies to ensure compliance with EU legislation, in particular the Digital Services Act.

1. How does the Commission view the question of compliance in view of these layoffs?
2. Has the Commission had meetings on this topic with tech companies?
3. Is the Commission following up on these developments with the tech companies through any other channels?

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