

**Question for written answer E-001325/2023  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Twitter and user privacy

My question is about a concerning issue that has recently come to my attention. According to credible sources, it appears that Twitter is displaying tweets intended only for certain circles to users outside of those circles. A clear example of this can be found here<sup>1</sup>.

If this is indeed the case, it represents a significant breach of user privacy. Twitter, Inc., along with Elon Musk, are responsible for the algorithms of the platform and must therefore bear responsibility for any resulting harm.

In this context, I would like to ask the following questions:

1. What steps is the Commission taking to investigate and address potential privacy violations by Twitter and Elon Musk, as described in recent reports?
2. How does the Commission plan to ensure that companies such as Twitter comply with the provisions of the EU's General Data Protection Regulation, particularly with regard to user privacy and data protection?
3. What specific actions can the Commission take to ensure that user privacy is protected and respected by social media companies operating within the EU?

I look forward to the response and to learning more about the Commission's efforts to safeguard the privacy of social media users.

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