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Subject: Artificial intelligence: a terrific tool in the hands of criminals?

A major technological innovation, artificial intelligence is as fascinating as it is worrying. The European law enforcement agency Europol recently warned that the chatbot ChatGPT is being misused by various criminal organisations.

When exploited by ill-intentioned people, these chatbots can be used to create malware or to facilitate online phishing. They make it possible for criminals to draft technical texts, which enables fraud, or even teach them how to carry out a wide range of criminal activities.

Although ChatGPT is not supposed to answer questions deemed harmful, a simple command line is enough to break the lock, thereby opening the door to many types of cybercrime, such as security breaches and the spread of disinformation.

## In view of the above:

- 1. Does the Commission plan to regulate the use of this technology to prevent it from being used in a fraudulent manner?
- 2. Does the Commission intend to call on the companies which operate these chatbots to guarantee that content will be moderated?
- 3. What concrete actions does the Commission think Europol and Eurojust plan on taking in light of this warning?

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