Question for written answer E-001957/2023 to the Commission Rule 138
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Subject: Application of the Digital Services Act and the Digital Markets Act in the Member States

The Digital Markets Act (DMA) is gradually becoming applicable, starting from 2 May 2023. The Digital Services Act (DSA) will apply from 25 August 2023.

In early May, the French Government presented its proposal to transpose these two European acts into French law. However, this is not necessary, as regulations are legislative acts that apply automatically and uniformly in all EU countries as soon as they enter into force, without having to be transposed into national legislation.

As it stands, the French draft law, even if it is indeed necessary, has added provisions that go beyond those of the DSA and the DMA. What is more, the French Minister for the Digital Transition has stated that these new measures will enable the French administrative authority to block platforms if they do not comply with the law. However, only the Commission is empowered to take enforcement action against large online platforms, in accordance with the provisions of the EU regulations.

How will the Commission respond to the French proposal, in which stricter national standards, which have not been negotiated in advance with the European institutions, are added to the European regulations?

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