Priority question for written answer P-006753/2020 to the Commission

Rule 138

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Subject: Digital Services Act

The Digital Services Act is Europe's ambitious plan to revise the rules on how online services, such as social media networks, should deal with illegal and 'harmful' content that their users are circulating on their network.

Parliament 'deems it necessary that illegal content is removed consistently and without undue delay in order to address infringements, especially those relating to children and terrorist content, and fundamental rights violations'.

- 1. How will the Commission ensure that harmful content is examined and taken down, especially with regard to children's safety online, given that the 'current automated tools are not capable of critical analysis and of adequately grasping the importance of context for specific pieces of content'?
- 2. How will it ensure that the perpetrators of cyberbullying, sexual harassment, pornography and other similar violent acts against children are held responsible for such content?
- 3. How will it ensure that digital service providers take down content in a proportionate and non-discriminatory manner, and based on what criteria?