

**Question for written answer E-002081/2024
to the Commission**

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Subject: Threats to media freedom in Poland: concerns over PiS Party plans for TVN and Hungarian involvement

Media reports indicate that the Law and Justice (PiS) Party intends to take control of the private broadcaster TVN in Poland. According to information disseminated by the media, this action may involve Hungarian entrepreneurs associated with Orbán's regime, and it is suggested that this plan could be carried out by former Prime Minister Mateusz Morawiecki.

TVN plays a crucial role in Polish public discourse. It is essential to emphasise that the impartiality of this media outlet has led to several persistent attempts by PiS to undermine it, including the drafting of the 'Lex TVN' law and the deliberate withholding of its broadcasting licence.

In the light of the fact that media freedom and pluralism are enshrined in Article 11 of the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights, is the Commission monitoring the situation regarding media freedom? Will it respond promptly and employ all available tools to prevent violations of media freedom by Orbán's regime?

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