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Subject: Danger to democracy posed by the new European digital regulatory approach

The European Union is facing a crucial moment in its regulation of big technology companies. The owners of X and Meta are leading the main opposition to our digital legislation, attacking European sovereignty and threatening our democracies. Despite this, the European Commission's response has been, on the one hand, to indicate that it will reassess its investigations into large platforms and, on the other hand, to withdraw legislative proposals to regulate them.

The withdrawal – under the pretext of stimulating investment – of its proposed Directive on Liability for AI, designed to make technology companies pay for any damage caused by AI tools or systems, sends out the dangerous message that European digital regulation is a bargaining chip in the new international arena.

In light of the above:

1. Is the Commission considering reassessing the investigations into large digital platforms and their compliance with the Digital Services Act?

2. Does the Commission plan to change its regulatory approach to the digital domain under the announced digital package, and if so, how?

3. How does the Commission plan to ensure compliance with and legal certainty of European digital laws with the new digital package?

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