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Subject: Acquisition of X by Elon Musk’s artificial intelligence start-up xAI

Elon Musk has announced that his artificial intelligence start-up, xAI, has acquired X through a deal that valued Twitter’s successor at USD 45 billion, and xAI itself at USD 80 billion.

This acquisition will enable xAI to leverage the vast amounts of data from X, generated by its 600 million users, to train its AI models.

Musk’s concentration of power, as an advisor to the US Government on bureaucratic efficiency and owner of Tesla, SpaceX, Starlink and Neuralink, is concerning from both a socio-economic and a legal perspective.

The deal appears to give little consideration to antitrust regulations, personal data protection or financial transparency.

Moreover, X, which does not adhere to the EU Code of Practice on Disinformation, is a platform inundated with fake news and propaganda, driven by its algorithms. For this reason, the deal raises concerns about potential risks of information manipulation, especially since xAI will be trained using data from the platform.

We therefore ask the Commission:

1. Will it launch an investigation under EU antitrust law?

2. Does it consider this massive data acquisition to be in compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation?

3. How will it protect European consumers from AI models trained on fake news?

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