

Question for written answer E-004185/2025
to the Commission
Rule 144
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Subject: Illegal concealment of an internal document and suspicion of abuse of office by former Vice-President of the Commission Věra Jourová

According to a judgment of the General Court of the EU of 18 June 2025, the Commission illegally concealed part of a memo drafted by Commission Vice-President Věra Jourová ahead of her visit to Slovenia in March 2023. The third point of the memo states that, at her meeting with the President of Slovenia's Constitutional Court, Matej Accetto, Jourová should 'seek an opportunity to verify [his] views on the new Radio-Television Slovenia Act', which was still under review by the court at the time. Following that visit, the Constitutional Court suddenly changed its previous approach, contrary to established practice, and allowed the law to be implemented even before it had ruled on its constitutionality and without any intervening changes in circumstances.

Already at the time, a number of constitutional lawyers warned publicly that the decision raised serious procedural and substantive issues. This led to extensive staff changes at the public broadcaster RTV Slovenia, including the dismissal of journalists and editors and the appointment of individuals who were close to the government of the day.

In view of the above, I would like to ask the Commission:

1. Does it consider such an instruction to exceed the authority or be an abuse of the position of Vice-President of the Commission?
2. How does it intend to take action against an individual or former Commissioner in such cases?
3. What systemic measures will it take to prevent such political interference in Member States' judicial proceedings in future?

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