

**Question for written answer E-004703/2025
to the Commission**

Rule 144

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Subject: Costs related to the reinstatement of content removed in error by digital platforms under the Digital Services Act and the role of trusted flaggers

In its answer to written question E-003616/2025¹, the Commission states that the redress and transparency mechanisms provided for in the Digital Services Act have led to the reinstatement of millions of pieces of content previously removed in error. These reinstatement operations are costly and time-consuming for the digital platforms, while they are at least partly based on erroneous indications by trusted flaggers.

1. What are the estimated costs for digital platforms of reinstating content previously removed in error?
2. What are the sanction or incentive mechanisms for trusted flaggers, so that they are incentivised to minimise errors, such as suspensions or withdrawals of licences as trusted flaggers, or pecuniary sanctions, including redress from the digital platform to the trusted flagger for the cost of correcting the error?
3. If trusted flaggers are not incentivised to minimise errors, does the Commission agree that this creates a serious imbalance, where trusted flaggers are able to offset the entire cost of their erroneous assessment to the digital platforms, without any repercussions for themselves?

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¹ https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-10-2025-003616_EN.html