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to the Commission
Rule 144
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Subject: Preventing the online sale of child sexual abuse dolls

After it had been found that online platforms such as Shein had been selling child sexual abuse dolls, the French authorities took them to court, reported the case to France's Audiovisual and Digital Communications Regulatory Authority and requested the temporary blocking of Shein, which was rejected by the Paris courts.

As a reminder, these are criminal offences under:

– Article 227-23 of the Penal Code, which provides for up to seven years' imprisonment and a fine of EUR 100 000 for the distribution, via an electronic communications network, of child sexual abuse material;

– Article 227-24 of the Penal Code, which provides for up to three years' imprisonment and a fine of EUR 75 000 for failure to implement filtering measures to protect children.

However, these potential penalties have failed to curtail this illegal trade, and the French authorities have once again taken legal action against a British website, Little Sex Dolls, on the same grounds.

1. Under the Digital Services Act, will the Commission impose a fine of up to 6% of global turnover on the suppliers of these dolls?

2. Will it fund artificial intelligence capable of detecting these illegal sales more effectively?

3. Does it consider online and border controls to be sufficient?

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