

**Question for written answer E-002035/2026/rev.1
to the Commission**

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Subject: Dependency on digital instruments threatening European sovereignty

Many Member States depend on software companies from non-EU countries. One such company is Palantir, which has been identified in UN reports as being complicit in violations of international law in Gaza, and there is concern that countries using Palantir might lose data sovereignty and that sensitive EU data could leak to US authorities or intelligence services.

The Swedish police have faced criticism for using Palantir's tools without being transparent about the risk it entails. Since the software is proprietary, no one can scrutinise how the algorithms weigh data points when identifying an individual's 'risk profile'. Despite widespread criticism, Swedish pension funds continue to invest large sums in the company.

In April, the company published a manifesto on X¹, discussing inter alia 'cultural hierarchies' and demanding 'hard power'. The text confirms the image of a company that prioritises US interests and military dominance over democratic principles and the data sovereignty of other nations. In the UK, Members of Parliament have stated that the manifesto demonstrates that Palantir is fundamentally unsuitable to handle citizens' sensitive data.

Therefore, we would like to ask the Commission:

At a time when European sovereignty is a top priority, is it appropriate for Member States to become dependent on these kinds of digital tools?

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¹ <https://x.com/PalantirTech/status/2045574398573453312?s=20>.