

**Question for written answer E-002908/2026
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Transparency regarding changes to the Commission's social media posts

The European Commission recently quietly amended an official post on European technological sovereignty. Initially, an image was published showing the EU confidently and physically pushing foreign technology ('other tech') aside.¹ Shortly afterwards, this post was removed without any explanation and replaced with a new image, which suggests that the European tech sector actually needs to 'level up'.²

Quite apart from the remarkable shift in stance – from misplaced arrogance to acknowledging a significant shortfall – the procedure followed is a cause for concern. Transparency is to be expected from a public body. Secretly deleting and replacing public communications is contrary to the basic principles of proper government communication.

The following questions arise in this regard:

1. What was the reason for removing the post and replacing it with the 'level up' version?
2. Why was the decision not taken to communicate about this change in a transparent manner? It is a fundamental principle that a public authority should explain why an official statement is being amended; why did the Commission opt for a covert replacement in this instance?
3. What communication guidelines does the European Commission follow when amending or removing social media posts retrospectively, and does the Commission acknowledge that deleting posts without explanation undermines public trust?

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¹ <https://imgur.com/a/SQf4HtB>.

² https://x.com/EU_Commission/status/2062202239007985734.