

**Question for written answer E-003590/2026/rev.1
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Online recruitment of minors and implementation of the EU framework against trafficking in human beings

A recent case in Greece concerning the alleged sexual exploitation of minors through online advertisements highlights the growing risks linked to the digital dimension of trafficking in human beings.

Directive 2011/36/EU, as amended by Directive (EU) 2024/1712, covers trafficking in human beings for the purpose of sexual exploitation and further protects children. In particular, the directive recognises the role of the internet and social media in recruiting, advertising and exploiting victims and underlines the need to strengthen the digital capabilities of the competent authorities, prevention and the early identification of victims.

In parallel, Article 28 of Regulation (EU) 2022/2065 on digital services (DSA) obliges platforms accessible to minors to take appropriate and proportionate measures to ensure that they enjoy a high level of privacy, safety and security.

Can the Commission answer the following:

1. Is there any information on the transposition of Directive (EU) 2024/1712 into Greek law, in particular as regards the prevention and detection of cases of online recruitment and sexual exploitation of minors, as well as the early recognition of the related risks?
2. What specific measures is the Commission taking under the DSA, and in particular under Article 28 thereof, to effectively limit related risks on online platforms?
3. Does the Commission intend to strengthen cooperation between Digital Services Coordinators, law enforcement and judicial authorities and national anti-trafficking bodies in order to speed up the detection and investigation of suspicious online advertisements linked to the trafficking and sexual exploitation of minors?

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