

**Question for written answer E-003864/2026
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Public disclosure of sensitive personal data in the Slovak Commercial Register

Since 17 August 2026, when Slovakia's new Commercial Register Act entered into force with simplified online access to documents held in the Collection of Documents, concerns have arisen regarding the disclosure of personal data. Documents made publicly available online were found to contain national identification numbers, full residential addresses, handwritten signatures and identity document numbers¹.

On 19 August 2026, the Slovak Data Protection Authority confirmed the public availability of such data and opened proceedings on its own initiative against the Ministry of Justice. The Authority stated that personal data contained in published documents must be anonymised and that the public nature of the Commercial Register does not justify unlimited disclosure of personal data².

The Ministry maintains that publication is required under the new Slovak Commercial Register Act and relies on Article 6(1)(c) of the General Data Protection Regulation as its legal basis³.

1. Given that the Slovak Data Protection Authority has opened proceedings against the Ministry of Justice, while the Ministry maintains that the disclosure has a sufficient legal basis, will the Commission assess whether the current arrangements comply with EU data protection law?
2. How does the Commission assess this practice in the light of Articles 7 and 8 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and the judgment of the Court of Justice of the European Union in Joined Cases C-37/20 and C-601/20 (*WM (C-37/20)*, *Sovim SA (C- 601/20) v Luxembourg Business Registers*⁴)?

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¹ <https://www.justice.gov.sk/aktualne-temy/obchodny-register-zostava-verejny-rovnako-ako-doteraz-nejde-o-ziadnu-specialnu-zmenu/>.

² <https://dataprotection.gov.sk/sk/aktuality/informacia-uradu-k-aktualnej-situacii-suvislosti-obchodnym-registrom.html>.

³ <https://www.justice.gov.sk/tlacovespravy/zverejnovanie-dokumentov-v-obchodnom-registri-ma-jasny-zakonny-zaklad/>.

⁴ ECLI:EU:C:2022:912.