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to the Commission
Rule 144
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Subject: Enforcement of rules on recommender algorithms of very large online platforms under the Digital Services Act

The recommender algorithms of dominant online platforms may, as a result of optimisation aimed at maximising user engagement, amplify controversial content and adversely affect both economic competition and the information environment in Member States. Although the EU has adopted the Digital Services Act (DSA), its effective enforcement remains crucial, particularly with regard to algorithmic transparency and oversight of very large online platforms (VLOPs).

I would therefore like to know the Commission's answers to the following questions:

1. How will the Commission ensure sufficient transparency of recommender algorithms and advertising targeting systems to enable assessment of their impact on economic competition and the dissemination of illegal content or disinformation?

2. Does the Commission have sufficient staffing, technical resources and expertise to effectively oversee the algorithmic systems of VLOPs? If not, what measures does it intend to take to strengthen these capacities?

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