

**Priority question for written answer P-003100/2026
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Premature adoption by the French Parliament of the bill banning minors under the age of 15 from accessing social media

On 21 July 2026, following deliberations in a joint committee, the French Parliament adopted, at final reading, a bill aimed at banning minors under the age of 15 from accessing social media¹.

On 6 July 2026, the Commission issued a detailed opinion on the text². Pursuant to Directive (EU) 2015/1535 and Article 6(2) thereof, France was required to comply with a standstill period ending on 10 August 2026.

The definitive adoption of the text before that date appears to constitute a breach of that procedural obligation.

1. Does the Commission take the view that the adoption of the text on 21 July 2026 complies with the deadline laid down in Directive (EU) 2015/1535?
2. Does it intend to open infringement proceedings against France, and if so, when?
3. What does it think the consequences of this premature adoption will be as regards the practical application of the law, in particular when it comes to the age verification obligations imposed on platforms, and can it confirm that any implementation of the law before the end of the standstill period, and before there has been a formal response to the EU's observations, would be contrary to EU law?

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¹ <https://lcp.fr/actualites/interdiction-des-reseaux-sociaux-aux-moins-de-15-ans-ce-que-contient-la-loi-qui-vient-d>

² https://www.contexte.com/fr/article/medias/le-texte-du-carton-rouge-de-la-commission-europeenne-contre-la-majorite-numerique-francaise_271651