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Answer given by Mr Brunner
on behalf of the European Commission
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The Commission proposal for a Regulation to prevent and combat child sexual abuse¹ (the Proposal) relies on a thorough and publicly available impact assessment².

The provisions on detection orders included in the Proposal are targeted and are issued by a judicial or independent administrative authority balancing all the rights at stake and after a thorough assessment of their necessity and proportionality. The Proposal includes safeguards that ensure a fair balance in the protection of all fundamental rights impacted.

It is now for the co-legislators, the European Parliament and the Council, to determine their own positions on this topic and, based on these positions, to find a common approach. The Commission notes that the European Parliament and the Council have both adopted their negotiating positions at this time. The Commission will continue its support of the Council and the European Parliament in the interinstitutional negotiations to achieve permanent and effective protection of children against child sexual abuse online.

¹ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=celex:52022PC0209>.

² <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A52022SC0209>.