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Answer given by Executive Vice-President Virkkunen
on behalf of the European Commission
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On 5 December 2025, the Commission issued a fine of EUR 120 million to X for breaching its transparency obligations under the Digital Services Act (DSA)¹. The breaches include the deceptive design of its 'blue checkmark', the lack of transparency of its advertising repository, and the failure to provide access to public data for researchers². Investigation linked to the areas of dissemination of illegal content and the effectiveness of the measures taken to combat information manipulation in X, continues.

As regards generative artificial intelligence (AI), the DSA requires that all features which are part of very large online platforms (VLOPs) and very large online search engines (VLOSEs), need to be risk assessed and effective risk mitigation measures must be put in place. In this context, the Commission is closely monitoring Grok and its deployment in the EU, including in relation to the incidents from July 2025 and from November 2025. For example, in March 2024, the Commission sent requests for information concerning risks of generative AI were sent to selected providers of VLOPs and VLOSEs, including X³. In January 2025, the Commission took technical investigatory measures, including a retention order requiring X to preserve data and documents related to all recent algorithmic changes⁴. The Commission will make full use of its enforcement powers depending on the evidence.

To the extent that xAI features are integrated in X, the service designated as a VLOP under the DSA, the Commission will take the necessary investigatory steps that might lead to open proceedings vis-à-vis the provider of X.

¹ Regulation (EU) 2022/2065 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 October 2022 on a Single Market For Digital Services and amending Directive 2000/31/EC (Digital Services Act) (Text with EEA relevance).

² https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_25_2934.

³ <https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/news/commission-sends-requests-information-generative-ai-risks-6-very-large-online-platforms-and-2-very>.

⁴ <https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/news/commission-addresses-additional-investigatory-measures-x-ongoing-proceedings-under-digital-services>.