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Answer given by Executive Vice-President Virkkunen
on behalf of the European Commission
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The European Commission has presented an EU Action Plan on Drone and Counter Drone Security¹ for a united approach against threats posed by malicious drones. The Action plan presents practical solutions for improved prevention of incidents, detection of drones, response to malicious drone activities and strengthening Europe's defence readiness against drone threats.

Under the European Electronic Communications Code², Member States' authorities are able to require providers of public electronic communications networks or publicly available electronic communications services to block, but only on a case-by-case basis, access to numbers or services where this is justified by reasons of fraud or misuse and to require that in such cases providers of electronic communications services withhold relevant interconnection or other service revenues.

¹ COM/2026/81 final, <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:52026DC0081>.

² Directive (EU) 2018/1972 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2018 establishing the European Electronic Communications Code, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2018/1972/oj>; Article 97(2): Member States shall ensure that national regulatory or other competent authorities are able to require providers of public electronic communications networks or publicly available electronic communications services to block, on a case- by-case basis, access to numbers or services where this is justified by reasons of fraud or misuse and to require that in such cases providers of electronic communications services withhold relevant interconnection or other service revenues.