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Answer given by Executive Vice-President Ribera
on behalf of the European Commission
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Companies operating in the internal market are legally obliged to submit to an inspection ordered by a decision of the Commission pursuant to Article 14 of the Foreign Subsidies Regulation (FSR)¹. In the present case, the Commission takes the preliminary view that Temu has obstructed the inspection conducted at its premises last December, by refusing to submit to the inspection and by not providing the required books or other records in a complete form.

Should the investigation confirm those preliminary findings, the Commission may impose a fine of up to 1% of Temu's aggregate turnover of the previous financial year. In accordance with Article 17(6) FSR, when setting the amount of a fine, the Commission has regard to the nature of the identified infringements, their gravity and duration, taking due account of the principles of proportionality and appropriateness.

Compliance with FSR provisions and possible breaches are examined under the FSR, and separately from compliance with other EU or national legislations.

In July 2026, the Commission published the results of its first review of the FSR, from which it found that the regulation is fit for purpose to address distortions in the internal market caused by foreign subsidies, while acknowledging certain concerns about complexity and administrative burden. The Commission is envisaging targeted adjustments to the FSR procedural framework².

¹ Regulation (EU) 2022/2560 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 December 2022 on foreign subsidies distorting the internal market, OJ L 330, 23.12.2022, p. 1.

² https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_26_1606.