Dear Ms. President,

I would like to inform you about the opinion of the Committee on European Affairs of the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic on the Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on a Single Market For Digital Services (Digital Services Act) and amending Directive 2000/31/EC /Council Code 14124/20, COM(2020)825 final/ and


The respective documents were included in the agenda of the 65th session of the Committee for European Affairs and was scrutinized on 17th February 2021. According to the Rules of Procedure the Deputy Minister of the Industry and Trade and the Chairman of the Office for the Protection of Competition were present at the session to introduce the preliminary Government’s Framework Position.

After the hearing of the rapporteur’s review and after the discussion the Committee has adopted the resolution No. 428 in the context of the Political Dialogue which is enclosed to this letter.

Yours sincerely

Enclosure

Ms. Ursula von der Leyen
President of the European Commission
Brussels
Resolution No. 428

65th Session on 17 February 2021


Conclusions of the Resolution:

Committee for European Affairs


3. notes that the proposals do not take sufficient account of the monopoly position of multinational internet players, the interoperability of user data, the protection of cryptographically protected user data, the right to anonymity and the protection of consumers against identity theft;

4. notes that the decision on the illegality of online content removal should be left to independent courts, and also draws attention to the risks associated with applying cross-border content removal orders without the consent of the court;

5. authorizes the Chairman of the Committee on European Affairs to forward this resolution to the President of the European Commission in the framework of the Political Dialogue.