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DSA Plenary vote: Broader KYBC obligations but a missed opportunity to secure a safer online environment for consumers and businesses

Members of the European Parliament adopted today their position on the proposal for a regulation on a Single Market for Digital Services (Digital Services Act), amending the eCommerce directive from 2000.

Laura Houlgatte, Chair of Creativity Works!, a leading coalition of the cultural and creative sectors in Europe, said: *“Members of the European Parliament have missed an opportunity to translate the declaration “What is illegal offline is also illegal online” into concrete actions. We welcome the intention to broaden the scope of the KYBC provisions – like many Member States asked for –, and hope that these will be reinforced in trilogue. However, other critical issues for the creative and cultural industries which were supported by a significant number of MEPs, – such as the immediate removal of illegal content or an effective trusted flagger system – should also be further discussed and rectified during the trilogue negotiations. Europe can still deliver a safer online environment for its consumers and businesses”.*

We now look to co-legislators to show ambition and reach compromises that will finally deliver a safer online environment for consumers and businesses without creating any new liability exemptions for intermediaries.

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About Creativity Works!

As a leading European coalition of the cultural and creative sectors, our diverse membership includes video games developers and publishers, broadcasters, writers and screenwriters, book publishers and retailers, cinema operators, sports organisers, picture agencies, music and films/TV producers, publishers and distributors:

Association of Commercial Television and Video on Demand Services in Europe (ACT); Center of the Picture Industry (CEPIC); The European Audiovisual Production Association (CEPI); European and International Booksellers' Federation (EIBF); European Writers' Council (EWC); Federation of European Publishers (FEP); International Federation of Film Distributors' Associations (FIAD) ; International Federation of Film Producers' Associations (FIAPF); Federation of Screenwriters in Europe (FSE); International Confederation of Music Publishers (ICMP); Independent Music Companies Association (IMPALA); Interactive Software Federation of Europe (ISFE); International Video Federation (IVF); International Union of Cinemas (UNIC); La Liga ; La Ligue Française de Football; MEDIAPRO; Motion Picture Association (MPA); The Premier League ; VAUNET Verband Privater Medien e.V.