

Press Statement

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European Parliament vote paves the way for more consumerfriendly copyright

Today the European Parliament cast an important vote on the reform of EU copyright law. The European Consumer Organisation (BEUC) very much welcomes the Parliament's decision to reopen the debate and allow changes to a heavily unbalanced position.

Monique Goyens, Director General of The European Commission (BEUC), commented:

"This is a big decision in the fight to prevent large-scale and systematic filtering of online content from becoming the norm. The legislative debate urgently needs re-direction. The internet must remain a place where consumers can freely share own creations, opinions and ideas.

"MEPs have a chance to correct a heavily unbalanced report and make copyright work for both consumer and creators."

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