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**Subject:** RE: EU Copyright Directive Article 13 questions

Dear [REDACTED]

We can try to set up something for tomorrow or Friday afternoon (Brussels time)?

Here already some useful information on parody exception:

**Caricatures, parody or pastiche are covered** under Article 5(3)(k) of the proposed EU Copyright Directive **with an optional exception**, allowing reproduction and communication of such content to the public and guaranteeing the authors' freedom of expression. Under Article 13 of the proposed EU Copyright Directive, this exception could also be applied in cases of removal of such content from online content distribution services. According to Article 13, online services and content distributors will have to put in place a redress mechanism through which content creators could challenge the removal of content that they consider as unjustified. This means that in cases of a removal of parodic content from online services, **the creators will be able to contest such unjustified removal by asking the content to be published based on the parody exception.**

Kind regards,

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**From:** ANDREEVA Mina Alexandrova (COMM)

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** EU Copyright Directive Article 13 questions

Hello all,

I understand the EU Copyright Directive intends to protect intellectual property uploaded to the internet, but there appears to be concern that this would infringe upon creative and parody work such as popular internet memes.

I was hoping I could secure a brief video interview with someone from your office for a piece I am working on in order to get some clarity on the directive's intentions.

Thanks,

