





Secretariat of the Transparency Register

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Article 6(6) of the Interinstitutional Agreement on a mandatory transparency register ("IIA")¹ entrusts the Secretariat of the Transparency Register (the Secretariat) with the task to monitor registrations and evaluate registrant's ongoing eligibility and observance of the code of conduct set out in Annex I to the IIA, in accordance with the procedures set out in Annex III to the IIA.

To this end, the Secretariat may carry out investigations on its own initiative in the light of information that a registrant may no longer satisfy the eligibility requirements provided for in paragraph 1 of the same Article 6^2 .

In the context of the several measures adopted at EU level in response to Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine, the Management Board of the Transparency Register, at its meeting of 12 July 2022, issued general instructions to the Secretariat³ to investigate into

³ See point (c) of Article 7(2) of the IIA.

¹ Interinstitutional Agreement of 20 May 2021 between the European Parliament, the Council of the European Union and the European Commission on a mandatory transparency register, OJ L 207, 11.6.2021, p. 1.

² See Article 6(7) of the IIA.

cases of a suspected non-observance of point (e) of the code of conduct, in accordance with the procedures set out in Annex III to the IIA⁴.

Consistently with the fundamental values of the European Union and its institutions, the presence in the Transparency Register of interest representatives established in Russia and/or advancing Russian government interests may damage the reputation of the register as the joint framework of the Union institutions to promote interest representation that is transparent and ethical, pursuant to point (e) of the code of conduct.

In light of those considerations, the Secretariat decided to open an investigation and you are invited to provide a reasoned response within 20 working days of receipt of the present notification pursuant to points 4.4 and 4.5 of Annex III to the IIA.

For the reasons explained above, the Secretariat will suspend temporarily your registration as a precaution pursuant to point 1.3 of Annex III to the IIA.

Yours sincerely,

Coordinator of the Secretariat of the Transparency Register

⁴ See Article 6(6) of the IIA.