

Moritz Körner Member of the European Parliament

By email only

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Dear Mr. Körner,

Thank you very much for your letter dated 6th of December 2019 in which you raise questions on the TikTok application, as a follow up to media reports regarding TikTok processing of personal data.

The EDPB is aware of the concerns that you have mentioned in your letter, and has already issued guidelines and recommendations that are to be taken into account by all data controllers whose processing are subject to the GDPR, in particular when it comes to transfer of personal data to third countries, substantive and procedural conditions for access to personal data by public authorities or the application of the GDPR territorial scope¹. On this last point, the EDPB recalls that the GDPR applies to the processing of personal data by a controller, even if it is not established in the Union, where the processing activities are related to the offering of goods or services to data subjects in the Union.

While the EDPB cannot comment on possible ongoing investigations by its members, I would like to inform you that the EDPB has decided to establish a taskforce in order to better coordinate potential actions and to acquire a more comprehensive overview of TikTok's processing and practices across the EU.

We thank you for your continued interest on the work of the EDPB and assure you this matter will be considered with the greatest attention, in particular when it comes to processing of minors' personal data.

Yours sincerely,

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¹ Available here : <u>https://edpb.europa.eu/our-work-tools/our-documents/guidelines/guidelines-32018-territorial-scope-gdpr-article-3-version_fr</u>

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