

Ursula Pachl BEUC, Deputy Director General **Sent by e-mail only**

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Dear Ms. Pachl,

Thank you for your letter of 30 June 2022 with which you are bringing to my attention the complaints that BEUC and its members have submitted against Google. In your letter you are urging the EDPB to consider these complaints as a strategic case.

As you have correctly indicated, during their meeting in Vienna of last April the EDPB members committed themselves to identifying cross border cases of strategic importance where cooperation among the EDPB members would be prioritized and supported by the EDPB. As a result, on 12 July 2022 the EDPB members adopted the relevant document on the criteria and process to apply for the selection of such cases of strategic importance¹.

The aforementioned adopted procedure provides that the suggestion for a case to be considered as strategic must be made by a supervisory authority and the EDPB members must agree on this.

That being said, please allow me to stress that the EDPB has already communicated your letter to its members, who will reflect on the opportunity of suggesting the complaints in question as a strategic case.

Yours sincerely,

Andrea Jelinek

¹ https://edpb.europa.eu/our-work-tools/our-documents/other/edpb-document-selection-cases-strategic-importance_en