

**Question for written answer E-002449/2024
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Public authorities' compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

In Europe, countries such as Czechia (under Section 62(5) of Act No. 110/2019 Coll. on Personal Data Processing¹) are making use of the provision enshrined in Article 83(7) of Regulation (EU) 2016/679² (GDPR) to not impose any fines on public authorities. In its implementation report on GDPR, the Commission stated that fines have led private actors to 'take data protection seriously'³.

In light of the above:

1. Does the Commission consider it good practice to not impose fines on public authorities?
2. Will the Commission assess this specific issue in its future implementation reports?
3. Are discussions taking place with relevant bodies to establish guidance on public authorities' compliance with GDPR?

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¹ <https://uouu.gov.cz/media/act-no-110-2019-coll.pdf>.

² <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/679/oj>.

³ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=COM%3A2024%3A357%3AFIN&qid=1721897017650>.