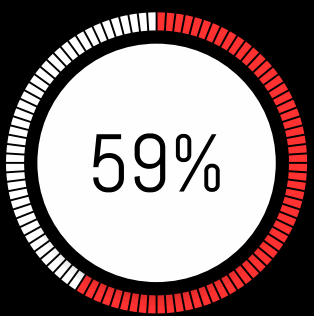


TRIGGER WARNING: THE FOLLOWING TEXT CONTAINS MENTIONS OF ABUSE OF CHILDREN AND SEX CRIMES.

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PROTECT THE KIDS: DISCUSSIONS OF A NEW EU LAW REGARDING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE CONTENT COULD MAKE IT MANDATORY FOR DIGITAL SERVICES TO SCAN PRIVATE COMMUNICATION FOR SUCH CONTENT. HOW CAN THE EU EFFECTIVELY BALANCE THE PROTECTION OF INDIVIDUAL PRIVACY WHILE PREVENTING THE SPREAD OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE CONTENT ONLINE?

EU STILL HOSTS THE MOST CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE MATERIAL IN THE WORLD:



OF CHILD **SEXUAL ABUSE** REPORTS WERE TRACED TO HOSTING IN **EU** MEMBERS STATES

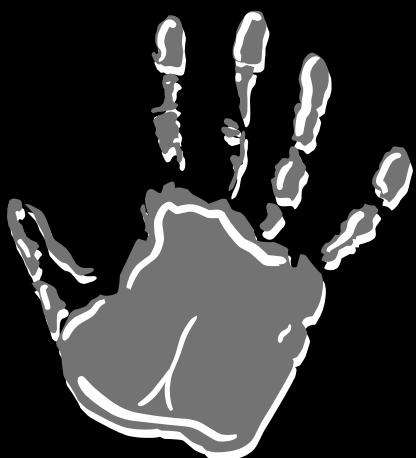
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WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?

THE PROLIFERATION OF CHILD CONTENT CONTINUES TO GROW EXPONENTIALLY, ESPECIALLY IN EUROPE WHICH HOLDS A TOTAL OF MORE THAN **46 MILLION** IMAGES AND VIDEOS OF CHILD ABUSE. FURTHERMORE, OVER THE PAST DECADE, THERE HAS BEEN A CONCERNING SHIFT IN THE MOST COMMONLY AFFECTED AGE RANGE OF VICTIMS FROM **11-13** TO **7-10** YEARS OLD.



WARNING FROM INDUSTRY



THERE IS A GREAT CONCERN THAT THE PROPOSAL MIGHT VIOLATE THE EU'S PROHIBITION OF GENERAL MONITORING, AS **ACCESS TO PRIVATE INFORMATION** ALSO POSES A THREAT TO END USERS. NINE EUROPEAN INDUSTRY ASSOCIATIONS, INCLUDING REPRESENTATIVES FROM **GOOGLE, META, MICROSOFT, AND MOZILLA**, HAVE EXPRESSED APPREHENSIONS, EMPHASISING THE CRUCIAL ROLE OF ENCRYPTION IN COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY.

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