



MINISTRY OF JUSTICE
HUNGARY

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Dear Representative,

I would like to express my gratitude for your support concerning the recently adopted Hungarian legislation on the protection of minors. In Hungary, we consider it important to protect our family values and culture and we sincerely appreciate that you have decided to voice your support in the matter, regardless of the general atmosphere and the series of deliberate misinterpretations the law's adoption seems to have created.

I believe that the Hungarian government has made it clear that this law is about the protection of minors, since in our view they should not be subjected to sexually explicit and age-inappropriate content in the media, on the Internet, or in kindergarten and school. We wish to guarantee that certain advertising campaigns do not convey to the children content that is harmful to their proper physical, mental and moral development, or related to their sexual identity and upbringing. The parents' right to ensure the education of their children in conformity with their religious, philosophical and pedagogical convictions – which is also enshrined in the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights – must be protected.

Content addressed to minors can be legitimately regulated by the State, thus in Hungary informative lectures for preschool and school-age children may only be provided by properly qualified persons and organizations, with the clear consent of the parents and only if the content is previously known to the parent.

The Hungarian legislation does not affect adults, nor the self-expression of individuals in any way. The rights of religious, ethnic, sexual and all minorities are guaranteed in Hungary, exclusionary and discriminatory manifestations affecting minorities are penalized by the law.

I can assure you that regardless of the shameful attacks we had to endure, we will continue to stand up for the protection of children and the rights of parents.

I wish you good health and success in your highly responsible duties.

Yours sincerely,


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