

TRENDS REGARDING MEASURES TO COMBAT SEXUAL ABUSE OF MINORS IN THE ONLINE ENVIRONMENT

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ABSTRACT: *The increasingly complex geo-political and geo-strategical events and the appearance of new global security pawns determine the world states to find new forms and collaboration methods to ensure their own security and promote national and common concerns. The development and expansion of organized crime modes, equally as its globalization imposed by states and intergovernmental organizations the assimilation of international legal instruments with the purpose of facilitating the safeguarding of evidence, the elements of evidence, the fast transfer to the specialized judicial authorities for the administration of evidence and the prompt sanctioning of perpetrators. Child sexual abuse can take many forms, including harassment, touching, incest or rape, and can take place in different environments, including homes, schools, placement institutions, churches and last but not least, the online environment. Children are particularly vulnerable to sexual abuse because they are often under the authority and control of adults and have less access to the mechanisms by which they can lodge complaints. The European Parliament approved new rules this year to help online providers detect, remove and report further online material on child sexual abuse.*

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